# 3 soldiers killed in Jordan Valley ambush

**BILL HUTMAN** 

THREE soldiers were killed and two lightly wounded when gunmen ambushed an IDF patrol near the Jordan River yesterday moming. As of last night, the attackers were still at large after fleeing into Jordan, despite a joint Jordanian-Israeli effort to catch them.

Military sources said the attack was well-planned, and caught the patrol completely by surprise during a routine sweep of the security road near Moshav Na'aran, north of Jericho. The soldiers were carrying out an operation termed "opening the road," in which the dirt security path along the Jordan River is driven over in search of signs of infiltrators.

There were five soldiers in the ambushed unit, three on foot and two in a command car equipped with a machine gun. The three foot soldiers were killed, and one in the command car was wounded. A soldier in a second patrol that arrived shortly after the attack began was also wounded.

The infiltrators apparently got away unharmed, although there was an exchange of fire.

Dead are Sgt. Ashraf Shibli, 20, from the village of Shibli, and Staff-Sgt. (res.) Asher Bardugo, 22, of Kiryat Bialik, who were killed immediately. Ya'acov Turgeman, 33, Rishon Lezion, was badly wounded, but managed to get away, only to die several dozen meters from the scene of the attack.

The army spokesman denied reports that the gunmen had tried to kidnap Turgeman.

According to an Associated Press report, a Damascus-based splinter group of the PLO's mainstream Fatah faction has claimed responsibility for the killings, saying the attack was intended to protest peace accords signed between the PLO and Israel.

The splinter group is led by Col. Mohammed Saeed Moussa, also known by his code name Abu

Prime Minister Binyamln crete information as to who was behind the ambush, but said Syrla



An air force helicopter lands at the site of yesterday's Jordan Valley ambush in which three soldiers were killed.

a hand in such attacks. He vowed that Israel would act with the government of Jordan to prevent similar attacks in the future.

In an interview with The Jerusalem Post, he declared: "It is clear that there is now and has been cooperation with the government of Jordan to prevent terrorist raids. We have a joint interest. And we will strengthen joint e wnor.

Referring to the recent Cairo summit, during which Jordan complained that Syria is permitting infiltrations, Netanyahu called such actions "a direct threat to us, but also a threat against Jordan.

"Responsibility rests with the country in control of the area from which an attack is launched," said Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai. He added that Israel and Jordan are cooperating to trying to find the attackers.

King Hussein called Netanyahu to express his condolences, and promised his country's help in preventing future infiltrations. He fire on the soldiers on foot at close

said there are those out to undermine the peace between Israel and Jordan - an apparent allusion to Syria, Israel Radio reported.

According to the initial army investigation, two to three people crossed the border from Jordan on Tuesday night, and lay in wait for the patrol in a gully along the security road, meters from the Jordan River. There is no security

der. Just before 8 a.m., they opened range, fatally wounding all three. One of the soldiers in the command car was wounded before he and the remaining soldier ran for cover, abandoning the car and allowing the attackers to remove its machine gun. The killers also

got away with an M-16 rifle taken from one of the dead soldiers. The second patrol - dispatched

when radio contact was lost with the first - arrived a short while later, and exchanged fire with the infiltrators. One soldier was lightly wounded in the exchange, but

the force was unable to catch the gunmen as they fled back into

In the initial ambush, Shibli, a tracker, returned fire before being killed. It was unclear if the other two soldiers managed to fire back. However, the army has already determined that the soldier who was not wounded did not return. fire, and instead ran for cover.

The division commander, Brig. Gen. Eyal, said the army is investigating the soldiers' reactions,

particularly since two of them

abandoned the command car, and the unwounded soldier didn't

even return fire. That he didn't return fire certainly was not good," he said.

Military sources described the gunmen as well-trained, and said they were clearly not on a suicide mission. The sources noted that they didn't flee immediately, but lingered to take the dead soldiers' weapons.

Initially, the army did not rule out the possibility that the terrorists remained in Israeli territory, and dozens of troops were rushed to the scene. But it soon became apparent that the gunmen had fled into Jordan, and the IDF was left with little to do but wait for undates from the Jordanian army on the search being carried out east of the Jordan River.

Two Kalashnikov assault rifles. a land mine, and some personal items belonging to the fleeing gunnien were found at the scene. The IDF and Jordanian army coordinated the search operation. The Jordanians allowed an IDP helicopter into its airspace to help in the initial search, and even permined an IDF unit in pursuit to cross the border. The cooperation [shown by the Jordanians] was very good, I don't want to say exceptional, because it was only what they should have done given the seriousness of the incident, Eyal told reporters. "They brought large forces in, and some of their most senior officers. Look, you can see their anack helicopters still searching."

Hadassah-University Hospital in Jerusalem's Ein Kerem received two soldiers after the attack. One was moderately wounded in the leg. The second was examined, but no visible injury was found, doctors said.

OC Central Command Maj.-Gen. Uzi Dayan arrived at the scene to personally oversee the search and investigation. The Jordan Valley border is generally considered quier, although last year there were at least three infiltrations, and in the most recent incident, in November, a soldie was wounded.

Duvid Makovsky contributed to ilus report.

## Netanyahu: International community must act against Syria DAVID MAKOVSKY

THE international community needs to take "necessary actions" against Syria if Damascus continues on the path of terror. Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu said yesterday in an interview with The Jerusalem Post.

Netanyahu's remarks came hours before a Palestinian rejectionist group based in Damascus claimed responsibility for the Jordan Valley infiltration and ambush, in which three soldiers were killed and two wounded. The premier shied away from

the phrase "triple comainment," which those close to him use to describe a policy which Netanyahu said before the election would involve the same sort of "sanctions" imposed by the US against Iran and Iraq.

It's not a containment policy. It's simply a policy that says that we're not going to play by Syrian rules," Netanyahu said. "Syrian rules are that they lash out with terrorism 360 degrees, obviously against Turkey and against Jordan, and increasingly against us, and I don't mean only

Hizhullah. "Hamas, Islamic Jihad, and the Popular Front are all based in Damascus, and they're all perpetrating terrorist acts indirectly against Israeli citizens. This is unacceptable. Syria has to know that a political price will be exacted from Damascus if it contin-

He said he wants the West to stop tuming a blind eye to Syrianbacked terror. "I want to certainly persuade our allies, and especially the United States, that this policy is detrimental not only to our interests but to the interests of

The West, he added, should "take the necessary actions that would cause a rethinking in Damascus about the utility of such an aggressive policy."

Netanyahu refused to say whether be would tell President Clinton during their White House meeting scheduled for July 9 when and uoder what conditions he would meet Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat or pull back from Hebron.

When asked if he is committed to bring such answers to Washington, 'Netanyahu said, "No. I will bring an answer when I have an answer.'

He said Israel accepts UN Security Council Resolution 242,

but said that "we have our own interpretation" of the resolution, which all other countries say involves trading land for peace.

Asked if he would uphold agreements reached by previous governments. Netanyahu said this would be contingent upon Arab "reciprocity."

He is still studying the "very

complicated" problem of Hebron. he said, but added that under any circumstances, Israel would retain its current link between Kiryat Arta and Hebron's Jewish enclaves. Netanyahu also said he expects

the Palestinians to reconvene to revoke the PLO Covenant, since the Palestine National Council meeting in April constituted a

"partial step."
"It should be absolutely clear that the PNC has abolished that (Continued on Page 2)



Thirty Ya'acov Turgeman of Rishon Lezion, will be buried this afternoon at 3 in the Mt. Herzl military cemetery in Jerusalem. Turgeman was born in Morocco and came to Israel when he was 20. After a brief army service, he studjed electronics, and worked as a foreman at construction sites. He was an avid drummer. About three years ago, he and his family moved from Mevasseret Zion to Rishon. He is survived by his wife Yolanda, and three children - Ariella, 7; Shane, 4; and Ben. 2.

Netanyahu's foreign policy advis-

er Dore Gold met with top

Palestinian Authority negotiator

Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen)

last Wednesday, sources have confirmed. It was the first time a

Likud government official met

Meanwhile, a day after echoing

Netanyahu's call for Israeli-Arab

negotiations "without precondi-

tions," Secretary of State Warren

Christopher said in Cairo that the

comerstone for US Middle East

peace policies remains "land for

peace," but he added that "gener-

alities" will not create an agree-

The Gold-Abbas meeting was

held either in Ramallah or Gaza.

Apparently, it was timed to coin-

cide with the eve of the Cairo

summit, and designed to ease

with the PLO.



Staff-Sgt. (res.) Asber Bardugo, 22, of Kiryat Bialik, will be buried at 3:30 this afternoon in the Tzur Shalom cemetery. He was doing his first reserve duty, and was set to leave today on a weekend pass. 'He called on Tuesday, said he was coming home, and asked his mother to prepare all his favorite foods," bis uncle, Ya'acov Davida, said vesterday. 'She cleaned up his room, but he won't be using it anymore.' Bardugo did his compulsory service with the Border Police and served in the Jordan Valley, falling in love with the area. After his discharge, he moved to Ma'aleh Ephraim, and joined the police. but left after a year to complete his studies.



Sgt. Ashraf Shibli, 20, of the village of Shibli, a Beduin settlement at the foot of Mt. Tabor, will be buried at noon today in the village cemetery. 'We have no complaints,' said his uncle. 'We are in shock. Our family lost a young man with his whole future ahead of him, but we are used to the danger and requirements of army service.' The Shibli family was already bereaved: Another uncle, who also served as a tracker, as did Ashraf's father, was killed in the War of Attrition. Hundreds of area residents -Jews, Beduin, Circassians, and Arabs - stopped by the Shibli home to pay their condolences.

#### Clinton to urge G-7 to step up war on terror 19 killed in bombing of US compound in Saudi Arabia HILLEL KUTTLER and news agencies

PRESIDENT Clinton said yesterday he would press at this weekend's G-7 summit to expand the fight against terrorism in light of Tuesday's bombing of a US mili-tary compound in Saudi Arabia that killed 19 and wounded bundreds - the deadliest terror strike ever against a US target in the

Jagged chunks of concrete, mattresses, and shattered glass yesterday linered the military complex in Dhahran, where the huge truck bomb had exploded. American officials said 270 peo-

ple were injured, all American, but Saudi officials said there were 386 people injured, 149 of them Saudis. Saudi security forces kept the area cordoned off yesterday moming, as investigators and rescue teams, aided by five bulldozers, were moving concrete, broken glass and other debris, searching for possible survivors and clues. A parked fuel truck blew up just

outside the US military housing complex, leaving a 10-meter deep

Clinton dispatched an FBI team to investigate what is suspected to be the work of Islamic militants opposed to Western military presence in the kingdom. Secretary of

State Warren Christopher interrupted his schedule yesterday to fly to Dhahran - on the Gulf coast just across from Bahrain - to visit the wounded and offer condolences to victims' families.

No group has claimed responsi-bility for the bombing. But less than a month ago, the Saudis beheaded four Islamic militants convicted of sening off a car bomb at a US-run military training facili-ty in Riyadh on November 13. Five Americans and two Indians died.
Underground extremists had threatened to attack US interests in Saudi Arabia if the four were pun-

ished. Speaking to reporters as he left the White House for France for the annual meeting of the leading industrialized nations, Clinton said the US intends to follow-up its ini-

tiative at last year's Halifax summit against nuclear smuggling, orga-nized crime, drug trafficking, and terrorism.

."Now at Lyon we expect to expand that work, and we expect to see very practical results, including a package of 40 specific recommendations to combat terrorism," Clinton said. "Defeating these organized forces of destruction is one of the most important challenges our country faces at the end of this century and the beginning of

"I will say to my partners [in Lyon] what I say to my fellow Americans today: We cannot have economic security and a global economy unless we can stand against these forces of terrorism. The US will lead the way and we expect our allies to walk with us, hand-in-hand. We cannot tolerate this kind of conduct."

Clinton said "it would be a mistake for the US to change its mission" in Saudi Arabia because of the bombing, and said he was reluctant to speculate about why Americans were targeted.

Armed Senate Committee chairman Strom Thurmond called on the chamber to be "unexceptionally serious" about the pending \$267 billion defense authorization bill, because the US is "duty-bound" to support its military personnel.

"We cannot fall short in supporting our men and women in uniform and their families, insuring the best possible benefits and providing the best equipment for the dangerous missions in a still very dangerous world."

Thurmond said the bombing is another reminder that the absence of war does oot mean that the world is at peace."

The Saudi government resolved to "punish the perpetrators" and offered a \$2.7 million reward for information leading to arrests. A US airman in a security obser-

vation tower had reported a suspicious fuel truck stopped outside the compound, about 30 meters from the nearest building. When a Saudi officer approached, two men jumped out and drove off in a white car, a senior Defense Department

Authorities tried to evacuate (Continued on Page 2)

#### Gold met with Abu Mazen Christopher: Land for peace still cornerstone for policies PRIME Minister Binyamin DAVID MAKOVSKY

Palestinian concerns before the parley.
Gold refused comment, saying

he would not discuss anything related to Palestinian contacts. It remains unclear what the two discussed. But it appears that Gold conveyed the government's desire for a sincere dialogue with the Palestinians and its willingness to set up negotiating teams

for the future. Netanyahu said yesterday that there would be a variety of channels in dealing with the PA, and this could involve the ministerial level. But he refused to say if or under what conditions he would meet with PA President Yasser

While in Cairo, Christopher met with both Egyptian President

Hosní Mubarak and Arafat.

Netanyahu musi commit hiniself to the agreements we have reached. One of these agreements is that Jewish semlement is not allowed during the transitional

period," Arafat said. The Egyptian media savaged Christopher for failing to mention land for peace while meeting Netanyahu. Al-Ahram said Christopher had "changed the entire US policy ovemight." (See

story, Page 3)
US officials suggested that Christopher was trying not to "enter into public disagreements" with Netanyahu during their first meeting since his election.

While Christopher did not wrest any commitments on specifics of the peace process from

Netanyahu, he said yesterday that (Continued on Page 2)

# Netanyahu calls Clinton, offers sympathy

and news agencies

PRIME Minister Binyamin Netanyahu spoke with President Bill Clinton yesterday evening, offering his condolences to the US and the families of the servicemen killed in the bombing in Daharan,

Saudi Arabia. Netanyahu said that Israel would offer any assistance desired to the injured servicemen, including those suffering severe burns.

The two spoke as Clinton was on Air Force One en route to the summit of seven top industrialized countries in Lyon.

Neianyahu said he called Secretary of State Warren Christopher after the attack and proposed joint action against ter-

"I spoke with Christopher and made it clear to him that we repeat and confirm our desire to cooperare against terrorism that harms all of us, harms humanity, civilization, and the human values that Israel and the United States share," Netanyahu told Army Radio.

After meeting with Christopher, President Ezer Weizman said he suspected Iran was responsible for the bombing. "I bet you that the Iranians are

behind it, and it is time that people Weizman Iold Weizman said Iran was behind similar attacks in Lebanon and

Egypt.
The world has to work not only on proof ... the world has to work on assumptions and assessments of information. It is high time the

the greatest enemies of European

civilization," Weizman said. France also condemned the bombing, offering its sympathies to Washington and Riyadh, and its condolences to the victims' fami-

"France condemns the attack carried out yesterday evening against the base," the Foreign Ministry said in a statement. "France believes the battle against terrorism muss be unrelenting, wherever it occurs and whoever

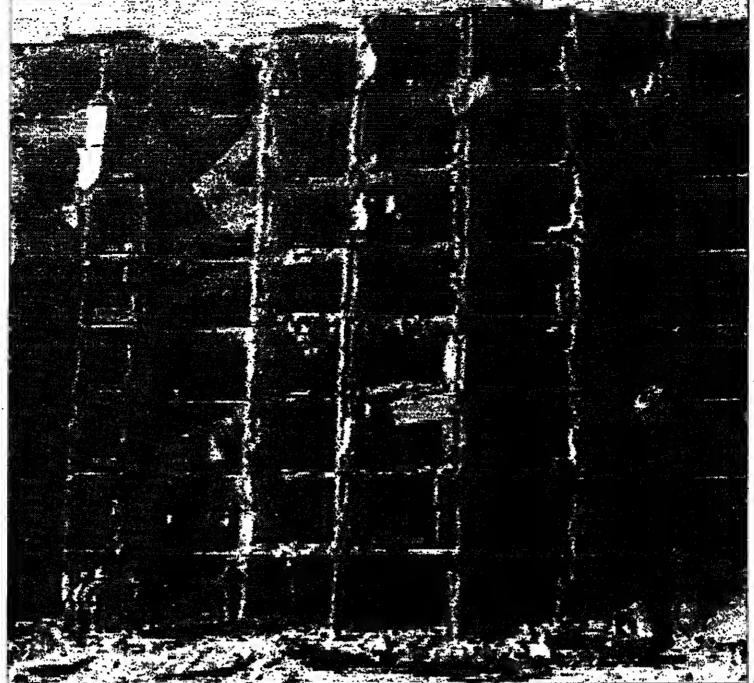
UN Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, who is on a two-day working visit to London, condemned the allack "in the strongest possible terms," and urged the international community to strengthen its efforts to combat international terrorism."

British Prime Minister John Major called the bombing "an act of pure evil for no reason" and promised maximum assistance to identify the perpetrators. More than 200 Royal Air Force personnel based at Dhahran, alongside US and French forces, escaped injury.
"We have had all too much of

this sort of experience, the unprovoked bomb, the murder of inno-cent people," Major said.

Palestinian Authority Justice Minister Freih Abu Medein said the bombing showed that lack of full peace in the region created

"Terrorist actions will continue if there is no complete peace agreement in the Middle East," he



The wreckage of a bombed apartment building at the US Air Force complex in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, is seen in this view from Saudi Television yesterday. The truck bomb that exploded in the complex on Tuesday killed at least 19 people.

# Attack on US soldiers may be linked to Saudi internal tensions

PRESIDENT Ezer Weizman was quick to point the finger of blame for the terrorist attack on US sol-

a member of the Middle East Studies department at Ben-Gurion University, the attack was probably linked to the ongoing struggle between the Saudi Arabian gospernment and local militant Islamic

"Essentially, the struggle is not new," said Meital. "It has taken on many forms and directions over

In addition to a non-militant Islamic opposition, which wants to reach a modus vivendi with Saudi Arabia's political and religious establishment, there are a number of extremist Islamic groups. These groups became active at the end of the 1970s and perpetrated their most violent act in 1979, when they took over and held the Great Mosque in Mecca for two weeks. Hundreds died in the fighting to liberate the site.

The Islamic militants take a very critical view of the links between the US and Saudi gov-\_emments, and especially the increasingly close military ties that began 20 years ago but took a quantum leap after the 1991 Gulf War. During the war, some 500,000 allied troops - most of them American - were stationed in the area, most of them on Saudi

The current ruling dynasty, founded by Muhammad Ibn Sand. formed an alliance in the 18th century with Mohammed ibu Abed el-Wahab, a radical religious leader. Since then, Saudi Arabia has been governed by a Moslem constitution and Moslem

But the 20th century has royal family. While parts of the modernization, some are outraged

Although Saudi Arabia is an authoritarian and centralized regime, the government has had trouble either rooting out or reaching a compromise with the extremists.

According to Meital, it is too

# Saudi bombing won't lead to US withdrawal

THE terrorist attack on US troops in Saudi Arabia will not lead to a withdrawal of American forces or a rise in isblationist sentiment in the US, according to Shmuel Sandler, professor of international politics at Bar-Ilan University.

"Saudi Arabia is obviously important to Americans." he saidof the price of gasoline. It's not the same as US soldiers dying in

Furthermore, Americans understand that if they want their country to be a super-power, it must fight terrorism. "They understand that this is an ongoing war." On the other hand, President

Bill Clinton's electoral fortunes may be jeopardized by the attack.

The first reaction of Americans will be one of anger," said Sandler. "Americans don't like it BACKGROUND DAN IZENBERG

They will rally around the flag and around the president. It might even help Clinton in the short term.".

But many Americans will also expect. Clinton to find an appropriate response to the attack. If he doesn't, they may abandon him, just as they did Jimmy Carter in 1980, when he failed to gain the release of US bostages in Iran. "Public opinioo in America isn't sophisticated," said Sandler.
"They want solutions."

Clinton may be helped if it turns out that Iran is behind the attack. because it would fit into the world view of the Iranian threat that Americans have been schooled in over the past few years.

But no matter what happens to

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two nearby apartment buildings,

the official said. But the bomb

went off a couple of minutes

later, at 10:30 p.m. local time,

then the windows shattered and

the walls fell in," said Staff Sgt.

Tyler Christie, 31, of Fort

Walton Beach, Florida, wbo

Master Sgt. William Sine was

walking down a hallway toward

the elevator when he was

knocked to the ground by the

The lights went off ... and 1

realized the wbole side of the

building was falling," said Sine, 39, of Warren, Ohio. He said he

was lightly injured.

force of the blast.

"I heard a deafening ooise and

before people could get out.

Clinton, the terrorist attack will not change the basic American view of its role in the world. "At this stage, both Democrats and Republicans are interventionists," said Sandler. "No one would go back to isolationism."

The attack may also help the US. io its attempts to get Europe to with Iran, has angered the Europeans. Now, they may take a softer view, although Sandler is doubtful that the attack will have any substantial effect on the European attitude toward Iran:

It may also belp increase international cooperation in the fight against terrorism, says Sandler. After all, the success of the attack demonstrated the weakness in counter-terrorist intelli-

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old charter and that whatever new document they adopt is compatible with the declarations of peace that they have put forward publicly," he said.

Netanyahu suggested. he favored steps to improve the Palestinian economy. But while he said he did not like the principle of closure, he offered no timetable for lifting the current closure of the territories.

"I think that ideas of creating magnets for employment are sound, providing they're not artificial employment. And there's probably a lag of some time before free-market forces can operate fully in Gaza and in the other Palestinian areas, simply because the economy is at a fairly low level. But it would be brought up rapidly by a combination of investments in infrastructure, which also offer considerable employment, and certain other economic ideas that I have in mind, and these will be the subject of my discussions."

The full interview will appear

## Knesset plenum opens with condolences

LIAT COLLINS

KNESSET Speaker Dan Tichon opened yesterday's plenum ses-sion by expressing condolences to the American people following the attack on US soldiers in Saudi Arabia.

Terror doesn't distinguish between peoples and states. The roots of terror are branching out throughout the whole world and threaten its peace, and when Israel fights back and warns about terror, she is not only fighting her own battle but warning the whole world, because terror is the enemy of humanity," Tichon said.

MK Haggai Merom complained

that bis request for an urgent plenum discussion on the attack had been rejected. He said the Foreign Ministry had asked the Speaker not to raise the matter.

A Knesset spokesman said it had been decided to hold the discussion next week after more details on the attack are known, rather than the same morning, before relevant information is available. He denied that anyone from the Foreign Ministry had asked the Knesset to postpone the debate.

## **Palestinian** rights activist released

JON IMMANUEL

PALESTINIAN Police yesterday released human rights activist Dr. Eyad Sarraj after arresting him twice in one month for criticizing Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat.

In a separate development the PA High Court of Appeals in Ramallah ordered Arafat to explain why he was keeping 10 students in jail without charges.

The 53-year-old psychiatrist, who are Carrie Mental Health

who runs Gaza's Mental Health Center as well as the Independent Palestinian Commission for Citizens Rights, was first arrested in mid-May for a week after giv-ing an interview to The New York ioin its campaign to isolate Iran. A. - Times. In the interview, he protestnew American law, calling for AlA ed the corruption and dictatorship boycott of companies that trade of the PA, imprisonment without charge, and a lack of press freedom, which he said was psychologically worse than living under Israeli occupation.

Sarraj was released early yesterday, 17 days after being rearrested, following a letter he sent to Arafat reiterating his earlier accusations against Arafat and the PA. The official charge against him was drug possession, a charge that was later dropped. He then remained detained for allegedly assaulting a police interrogator, though he in fact complained that he was hit by police in jail. (The policeman in question appeared in a military court to testify against Sarraj with a bandaged fist.)

Sarraj refused to be interviewed yesterday. His family said he was tired but well.

In Ramallah yesterday, a lawyer petitioned the Palestinian High Court of Appeals on behalf of 10 students from Bir Zeit University arrested by the Palestinian Police more than 100 days ago and held without charges or remand orders. When attorney Khader Shkeirat

handed the court registrar a petition naming Arafat as a respon-dent, the judges held consultations for 30 minntes before deciding whether to accept it.

## Boy drowns in Meshushim pool

A 13-year-old boy from Petah Tikva drowned in the Meshushim pool in the Yehudiya forest region of the Golan last night. Police said the youngster had been with a group of schoolchildren from Petah Tikva who had been hiking in the region with a guide. Bathing in the pool is not probibited, but police said they were questioning the guide.

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diers in Saudi Arabia at Iran. But according to Yoram Meital.

the past decades,"

Last year, five US soldiers and two Indians were killed in an explosion at a US-run military

training center in Riyadh, the cap-

There is something ironic about the fact that Saudi Arabia - once considered the most Islamic of the Arab and Moslem states - should be facing an Islamic fundamental-

brought oil-created wealth to the nation of 10 million, most of it concentrated in the hands of the population enjoy the fruits of by the moral coruption and sectal and economic inegnality that have followed in its wake.

early to determine whether Iran was involved in the terrorist attack. It is very difficult to prove such involvement under any circumstances.

However, there is no doubt that Iran helps indigenous fundamentalist groups in other countries, including Moslem Sunnis. And the Saudi government is very concerned about Iranian intervention in the Gulf - not only at home but also in the neighboring countries of Bahrain and Qatar.

# ABU MAZEN

when their soldiers are killed.

(Continued from Page 1) he is confident that Netanyahu "understands his obligations to adhere to the agreements" and intends to take the proper steps this direction.

Senior Clinton administration officials said that during his 24bour visit to Jerusalem, Christopher's job was not only to affirm US-Israel links, but to quietly point out to Netanyahu the likely consequences in the Arab world of any sharp policy departures.

"We want the new government in Israel to make their new policy choices with their eyes open to implications of their decisions," one senior official said.

This created speculatinn that the US had warned against such decisions as closing Orient House, not pulling back in Hebron, or establishing new settlements.

But the warning creates the impression that incremental policy changes from the previous government, or a "Labor-plus" approach, might under certain conditions be accepted by the Arabs, as it will be seen as bowing to domestic political con-

Christopher and US officials did most of the talking during the visit. The secretary was careful not to ask for Netanyahu's response on specific issues, such as Hebron or when he would meet

#### quickly started to help care for the victims. "There were some people dead. I could feel a lot of blood on my hands, and I knew it couldn't be sweat because it was too thick," he said from his bed at King Fahd Hospital,

where he was recovering from

cuts on the thigh, face, and

Hundreds of people rushed out into the streets. "We thought it was the end of the world," said Walid, 22, who was walking nearby at the time

of the explosion. The attack raised new concerns about the political future of Saudi Arabia, long seen as a bastion of stability in a volatile

# Court asked to ban smoking on airplanes

**JUDY SIEGEL** 

A REQUEST for a temporary injunction ordering smoking banned on all Israeli flights to and from the country was filed in the High Court of Justice yesterday by a group of El Al stewards.

The stewards, who were joined in the suit by the Israel Cancer Association and a woman who flies frequently to South Africa,. said smoking on flights violates their right to good health. In a few

months, a three-judge panel will hear the case, which was filed by Israel Association for the Prevention of Smoking legal adviser Amos Hausner.

According to existing Transport Ministry regulations - adopted from now-obsolete regulations set by the US in 1988 - smoking is prohibited only on flights that take less than two hours. In practice, this encompasses few flights.

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WASHINGTON - The truck bomb is America's worst nightmare, whether in Oklahoma City. Beirut, Bosnia or Saudi Arabia, It is a symbol of the vulnerability of

the world's most powerful nation. There is not absolute security [overseas], and we do expose ourselves to risk by exercising leadership and engaging in the rest of the world," Philip Wilcox, head of the State Department's counterterrorism office, said told ABC News. "We do everything we can, however, to protect our people." The explosion that tore through

apartment buildings at a US Air Force complex in Saudi Arabia on Tuesday evoked the awful memory of the 1983 bombing in Beirui that killed 241 American servicemen. That, 100, was a truck bomb that went off outside a US military barracks.

Can such incidents be prevented? Of course not.

That was a theme that dominated the debate over sending 20,000 US troops to Bosnia as part of a NATO peacekeeping force.
Opponents of US intervention

in Bosnia repeatedly recalled the

Beirut bombing and predicted that

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be targets of similar attacks. So far, the Bosnia mission has been free of major terrorist assaults.

But the explosion in Saudi Arabia is a reminder that the opponents of sending troops to Bosnia may yet see their arguments prove tragically prophetic. When White House spokesman

been tightened as a result.

Sadly announcing the death of

**GLADYS SABEL** 

Robbie and Ruthie Sabel Michal, Danny, Dafna Her Great-grandchildren: Liron, Orl, Netta, Tamar, Amir, Tai, Dana, Hagai,

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Mike McCurry was asked whether there had been any specific threats against the US base in Saudi Arabia he replied, "That is a part of the world in which the threat exists all the time of people who would do damage to the interests of the United States and the interests of those who support

the [Mideasi] peace process."

A Defense Department official who described yesterday's attack to reporters said a series of suspicious incidents had been reported in the area over the past several months, and that security measures had

But as the incident illustrated, security can never be tightened

enough. Israelis know this as well

American troops in Bosnia would

Mourned by:

Her children: Pamela and Werner Loval Her Grandchildren: Jonathan, Bennie, Debbie,

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US overseas vulnerability exposed Time and again Israel has suffered through terrorist bombings that have killed innocent people, that bave claimed victims riding the bus or standing on a street cor-

> When attacks are carried out by Hizbullah in Southern Lebanon, the Israeli response is swift and violent. But it has yet to stop the

> Not that long ago, attacks in the heart of Israel brought retaliation against Palestinian strongbolds. Since the signing of the Oslo accords, however, the the PLO is

> no longer a ready target for retali-For the United States, retaliation

> is even more difficult. When the truck bomb went off in Beirut, President Reagan vowed to punish the culprits. But bow could they be singled out?

In the aftermath of the Saudi

bombing, President Clinton vowed, The cowards who com-

mitted this murderous act must not go unpunished." In the insular society of Saudi Arabia, apprehending those responsible is more likely than in Bosnia or Lebanon. Last November, a car bomb went off at a US-run military training facility,

killing five Americans and two

Four Islamic militants were apprehended, convicted and beheaded. The men, all Saudis, were executed despite threats from underground extremists to attack US interests in the kingdom if the four were punished.

The fact they were apparently able to carry out their threat demonstrated once again the vulnerability of US forces. (AP) Yulin Arsana, 44, who was wounded in yesterday's attack on IDF soldiers in the Jordan Valley, grimaces in pain as he is wheeled into the operating room at Hadassah-University Hospital in Jerusalem's Ein Kerem.

'Lebanon comes to the Jordan Valley'

BILL HUTMAN

# Weizman reminds Mubarak that Israel and Egypt are at peace

LIAT COLLINS and news agencies

PRESIDENT Ezer Weizman says he is worried by the growing "anti-Israeli" sentiment evident in Egypt. Weizman told reporters yester-day that be had asked US Secretary of State Warreo Christopher to remind Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in Cairo

that Israel and Egypt are friends. "I pointed to the behavior adopted by Egypt - that it has become a leader in spreading anti-Israel sentimeot," Weizman told reporters of bis breakfast meeting with Christopher.

"I told him he should tell President Mubarak that we have been friends since 1977, almost 20 years," said Weizman, who as a cabinet minister in prime minister Menachem Begin's cabinet helped negotiate the 1979 yeary. Meanwhile, Foreign Minister

David Levy said Israel would reject attempts to dictate its policy and create preconditions for negotiations.

Answering several motions on the concluding statement of the Arab Summit in Cairo at the beginning of the week, Levy promised the government would talk with all relevant bodies to further the peace process - including the Palestianian Authority.

"We didn't choose it, but there is oo other partner," he said. "In these negotiations Israel

will stand firm on its basic principle of direct negotiations without preconditions, and certainly without dictates in an attempt to reach peace and stability in the region.
"In the concluding statement... the text contains a bint that oormalization might be harmed or stalled if the Israeli government doesn't meet certain demands. What demands? That Israel withdraw from the whole of the Golan Heights to the 1967 borders; that a Palestinian state be established with Jerusalem as its capital; and that the right of [Palestinian] return be recognized." Levy described the possibility of a return to tensioo and bloodshed in the region as "something I don't even want to think about.

He also criticized Egypt for hinting it would lead a hawkish line against Israel at the UN.

SOUTH Lebanon has arrived in the Jordan Valley, David

Elhayani, chairman of the Jordan

Valley Communities Council said

yesterday, after being briefed by OC Central Command Maj.-Gen.

Uzi Dayan about the border attack

that left three soldiers dead and

"The attack was well planned," Elhayani said. "They were proba-bly waiting there all night for the

patrol to come by, hidden in a

gully and just waiting for them.

The soldiers didn't have a chance.

have seen in south Lebanco, I

bone that the incident will prove

to be an exception. We have good relations with the Jordanians, and

are sure they will do everything

they can to make sure there are

Elhayani noted that the attack

was the more shocking because

the area is usually "a peaceful

one," which has not suffered

its commitments under the Oslo

accords, but will have to rethink

its position if fulfilling these

commitments would produce security threats, Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai said

during a tour of Hebron yester-

day.
"In principle, we want to keep the agreements," he said in an

interview with Israel Radio. "The

main issue which is worrying us,

and which also worried the previ-

ous government, is the very spe-cial security problems which exist in the city of Hebron. Any mis-take we make now, any excess

risk that we take, could come back to haunt us in the future. We

therefore prefer to wait a while fto

Mordechai, who met with both settlement leaders and Hebroo

Mayor Mustafa Natshe, told the

latter that the new government's view of the political situation is

oot the same as that of the previ-ous government, and that this would influence the way it saw its

commitments noder the agree-

ments, according to Hebron

spokesman Noam Amon. In par-

study the issue)."

more attacks like this one."

This is the kind of attack we

two wounded.

# Christopher panned in Egyptian press

CAIRO (AP) - Egypt's state-run press, usually cautious in criticizing the US, yesterday said Secretary of State Warren Christopher's "shameful" comments in Israel show he is not an honest broker.

The two main government dailies. Al-Ahram and Al-Akhbar, carried front-page editorials accusing Christopher of changing US policy on the peace negotia-tions and acting solely in Israel's interests.

"By giving this shameful support unworthy of a superpower, Christopher is declaring ... he is not an honest broker in the peace process and is interested in the Middle East's security and stability only in the framework of Israeli interests," Al-Akhbar said.

The editorials appeared as Christopher arrived for meetings with President Hosni Mubarak and PLO leader Yasser Arafat.

In Israel on Tuesday, Christopher endorsed Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's call for resuming peace talks without conditions, and the Egyptian dailies saw this as evidence he is backing Israeli policy statements viewed by the Arabs as a denial of principles accepted in the peace talks.

"The question is what pushed Christopher to change the American policy in such a great

sponsor of the peace process, which has supported the Security Council resolutions and the peace agreements," its front-page editor-

not restate the land-for-peace policy in his news conference with Netanyahn, State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns later said that it remains official US

The opposition daily Al-Wafd said that id formulating US policies, Christopher should listen to Arab public opinion, which it said is increasingly disbelieving of American claims to support justice and freedom.

have only one bour for a tour of Cairo's streets to talk to people and listen to what Egyptians say ... and the unease and outrage they feel

of Cairo is only an echo of the Arab summit, and you will find the Egyptians against you and in support of the summit's resolutions."

#### Bomb wounds SLA soldier **DAVID RUDGE**

A SOUTH Lebanese Army soldier was very lightly wounded by a roadside bomb in the security zone yesterday.

The bomb was detonated alongside an SLA patrol near Kantara, in the western sector of the zone. The wounded soldier was taken to Marjayoun hospital.

Reports from Lebanon said Hizbullah claimed responsibility for the attack. The organization was also responsible for for the previous incident on Monday,

## **Police** recommend charging Eitan

BILL HUTMAN

THE police investigation file on Environment and Agriculture Minister Rafael Eitan has been transferred to Attorney-General Michael Ben-Yair, apparently with a recommendation that he be charged for misusing a confiden-tial IDF document.

The police spokesman, in a statement confirmed that the file was turned over to the attorney-general. He refused to comment further.

But police sources said the file included a recommendation that the Tsomet Party leader be charged for using a confidential IDF document that contained incriminating information about a Tsomet activist, to force the

activist out of the party.
Eitan was cleared by police of allegations he misused campaign contributions from the 1992 eleclion, according to the sources. The allegations concerning the IDF document also relate to that elec-

tion campaign. It is now up to Ben-Yair to decide whether to accept the police recommendations. If he does, he must ask the Knesset to lift Eitan's immunity so he can be indicted.

hurry," said Al-Ahram. It noted the US is "the chief

In fact, while Christopher did

We hope his excellency will against American policy," it said.
"What you will hear on the streets

were detonated first near an IDF convoy and a short while later by SLA troops in the Bint J'bail area, also in the western sector of the zone. There were no IDF or SLA casualties.

Hizbullah is expected to escalate its activities, which were halted for the duration of the Cairo summit, especially in light of the decision by the Arab leaders to differentiate between terrorism and "legin mate national resistance."

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## Mordechai: Gov't must balance commitments against threats

many incidents in the past.

Elhayani said that security road

is patrolled "about every two

weeks," along the stretch where

the attack occurred. Further oorth,

the road is patrolled daily, he said.

alert immediately after the attack,

although there was no visible sign

of increased readiness. Elhayani

said. Additional soldiers were

rushed to the scene of the attack,

to search for the terrorists, but not

The attack occurred several

kilometers from the nearest com-

munity, Na'aran. The area is

largely undeveloped, with spo-

radic banana and date fields, but

otherwise desolate. Jericho is

about 10 kilometers south, but at

oo time did the army believe the

field when I heard shots fired,"

"I was working in the banana

to the communities.

terrorists fled there.

Area communities were put on

ticular, be said, this meant that the government would demand compliance from the Palestinian Authority as a condition for fulfilling its own obligations.

Settlement leaders emerged from the meeting happy with what they had heard, despite the fact that Mordechai refused to promise oo redeployment would take place.

"We left with the feeling that [the government's] deliberations would take us into account," said Kiryat Arba Local Council head Zvi Katzover. "He promised one

important thing: To study Hebron's serious security problems."

said Daniel Kostan, 26, from

Moshav Yitav. He continued

working, in the area the army said it closed off to carry out the search

for the terrorists, and was in con-

tact with the moshav but was not

all the police and army vehicles

driving into the area, and a heli-

copter flying overhead. A little later I heard some more shots, but

that was it," said Kostan, sitting

aton his tractor, headed back to

be to be to increase development

David Levy, Jordan Valley

Council Chairman, was also

briefed by Dayan. "This is a very

serious locident, which raises

great concern for all residents of

the area," Levy said. He said he

got a call at about 8 a.m. from

in the area," Elhayani said.

"Our answer to the attack must

the moshav for lunch.

"I kept working, and then saw

told to leave,

Natshe, meanwhile, warned Mordechai that failure to redeploy in Hebron would bring the peace process to a halt. He told Israel Radio after the meeting that he received the impression from Mordechai that the government would make its decision on the issue soon.

Leaders of the Jewish community in Hebron used the opportunity to tell Mordechai of their opposition to any redeployment, or to any armed Palestinian police presence in Hebron.

## Jordan, **Israel** hold joint search for attackers

STEVE RODAN

JORDAN and Israel conducted joint searches for the infiltrators wbo ambushed the IDF patrol yesterday, in an operation that had Israeli air force helicopters flying over Jordanian air space and put at least one senior IDF officer on Jordanian territory, military sources said.

"The coordination went very smoothly and the Jordanians did an excellent job," a military source said.

The searches were part of a closely-coordinated effort that has existed along the Jordanian-Israeli border for the last 18 months. including coordinated border patrols.

Sources said that after yesterday's attack, IDF officers called their Jordanian counterparts and a search was quickly launched on both sides of the border. Senior Jordanian officers, including the army chief of staff and the head of ground forces, arrived at the bor-

IDF sources said both the Israeli "I hope that this is not a sign of and Jordanian armies are in close contact at all levels up to company commander. They said Israel has helped train Jordanian forces serving along the border to better spot potential infiltrators.

This effort is believed to have helped Jordan handle the wave of Syrian-sponsored infiltration into the Hashemite kingdom over the last two months. At the Arab League summit io Cairo, which ended earlier this week, Jordan's King Hussein presented his Syrian counterpart, Hafez Assad, with a list of 50 incidents of terrorist infiltration.

A Jordanian security source said the nation's iotelligence services have been successful in preventing virtually all of the attempted attacks io the kingdom, including an attempt to attack Israeli tourists earlier this

# Village mourns fallen tracker

security officials informing him

escalation along the border, but a

An official statement put out by

This is a very serious incident,

which is more reminiscent of a

confrontation zone than of

peace," the statement said, "We

are very worried by the daring and

the freedom [of action] displayed

by the terrorists ... Farmers from

the Jordan Valley settlements

have worked their fields in this

area with no special problems in

recent years. We bope that this

grave incident is a one-time event,

and we call on Jordan to tighten

the noose around the necks of the

terrorists and to prevent any

Evelyn Gordon contributed to

recurrence of such an event."

the council expressed similar con-

one-time incident," Levy said.

of the attack.

RESIDENTS of Arab al-Shibli on the slopes of Mt. Tabor were in mourning yesterday following the death of Sgt. Ashraf Shibli in the ambush by Palestinian gunmen of an IDF patrol in the Jordan rift

Ashraf's father, who served in the army for 12 years, said his son had been keen to join, and had wanted to take an officer training

Local council chairman Ali Shibli said Ashraf was well-known in the village, which has a population of 3,000 people, and was liked by

Ali Shibli said Ashraf's death brought the number of villagers killed while in the IDF to nine, most of them having died while serv-

ing as trackers.

"We are all very upset, but we must not allow those who are trying to disrupt the peace process to succeed. All the world will unite against those extremists whose aim is to create hatred," he said.

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FREE campaign ads returned to the airwaves yesterday a week before Russia's election, and Communist candidate Gennady Zyuganov said in his that his message is being drowned and distorted.

"For 48 hours a day, from dawn until midnight, we get up with Mr. Yeltsin and go to sleep with him, while talented people in Russia cannot outline their different point of view," Zyuganov said in a fiveminute spot on Public Television.

Zyuganov later told a news conference he had filed a protest to election authoritles and parliament accusing Yeltsin of pressuring local government officials to campaign for him and of raiding the budget for campaign money.

Zyuganov meets Yeltsin in a runoff next week and the free TV and radio campaign spots may be particularly valuable for him. He has traditionally shunned television and his lackluster campaign is short of

Yeltsin, backed by Russia's major networks and newspapers, gets heavier coverage on daily newscasts and leads opinion polls. Before the first round of voting, on June 16, Yeltsin rarely appeared on his own TV spots, presumably to avoid over-

Yeltsin's campaign continued that strategy yesterday, letting supporters

MOSCOW

speak for him and showing Soviet documentary footage of famine and civil war in the 1920s, food lines in the '50s and empty shelves in the

"Communists have not changed even their name. They won't change their methods," it warns.

Zyuganov, who supports a return to many Soviet-style economic con-trols, accused Yellsin of falsely saying Communists want to take somebody backwards.

"I do not think that the millions of (Communist) voters voted for going backwards, for having gulags, lines," he said. "It is not so."

Zyuganov, who turned 52 yesterday, also renewed calls for a televised debate with Yeltsin and for a coalition government. He told the news conference that

he, too, has given some of his TV and radio time to "comrades" who will speak for him. Zyuganov told reporters Yeltsin is

"cheating on a massive scale," spending billions of dollars in state funds on his campaign. "This is the same money which is not paid to teachers, doctors, ser-

vicemen, pensioners," he said. "Such illegal practices ... could call into question the results of the vote

Yeltsin, meanwhile, has been shaking up his government and trying to project a forceful image on everything from the war in

Chechnya to paying back wages.

The most difficult part of the shakeup, he said in an interview published yesterday, was firing his long-time friend and bodyguard, Alexander Korzhakov, who reformers said was plotting to cancel the elections.

"I owe him a lot," Yeltsin told the weekly Argumenty i Fakty, and said he and Korzhakov would remain

"I can be friends with Alexander Korzhakov and his family - that's my personal affair. But if he wants to join big politics, let him do it from the main entrance rather than the

A poll by the All-Russian Public Opinion Center, conducted June 18-20. indicates Yeltsin's alliance with retired general Alexander Lebed has helped the president's campaign. Lebed, who finished third in the first round of voting, was named Yeltsin's

new national security chief. Center director Yuri Levada told reporters yesterday the poll, with a 4 percentage-point margin of error, gave Yeltsin 53 percent to Zyuganov's 38 percent, Interfax news agency reported.



Dimitra Papandreou kisses the coffin of her husband, the late former Greek prime minister, Andreas Papandreou, in Athens's Metropolitan Church before the start of the funeral procession. See adjacent story.

# Zulus finally get to vote, under heavy security

# Greeks flock to Athens for Papandreou funeral

ATHENS (AP) - Socialist party supporters from all over Greece flocked to Athens yesterday to attend the state funeral of Andreas Papandreou, the immensely popular former premier and leader of the ruling party.

Papandreou died Sunday of a heart attack at age 77. Since then, tens of thousands of people passed by his flag-draped coffin in Athens' central Orthodox cathedral where he lay in state.

Mourners came by plane, train, ship and bus to attend Greece's first funeral with full state honors since the death of King Paul in 1964, ten years before the monarchy was abolished. They lined the route from the cathedral through Athens' center to the First Cemetery in the 39-degree heat (102 degrees Fahrenheit).

The funeral service was conducted by Greece's Orthodox Primate Archbishop Serapheim and other senior members of the church. Air conditioning was installed for the comfort of the nearly 500 people in the

"Andreas Papandreou's appearance in politics in our recontry fliarited a new period in politics in our country," said Premier Costas Simitis in his eulogy. He noted that Papandreou gave up a career as a professor of economics in the United States, where he was dean of the department of economics at the University of California

at Berkeley before running for office in Greece in 1964. "Although he had secured a bright academic career on an international level, he preferred the role of politics. Because he believed in the power of dreams, in the humanization of society, in Greece's renewal," Similis

Papandreou was also active in fighting a rightwing military junta from 1967 to 1974, founding a resistance group that was the precursor of the Panhellenic Socialist Movement, or PASOK, that he founded in 1974 and led with an iron grip until his death.

Papandreou's 41-year-old wife Dimitra, his former wife of 38 years, Margaret, and their four children stood beside the casket. Organizers and police did not have an immediate estimate of how many people had gathered for the funeral.

Flags flew at half staff and yesterday was declared a day of national mourning. The civil service, banks, archaeological sites and museums were closed, while labor unions called a work stoppage in the private sector and public utilities for the duration of the funeral so that employees could attend.

Papandreou held no state office when he died, which was reflected in the fairly low Cabinet level of many of the representatives of about 80 governments who attended:

Greece's Costis Stephanopoulos, Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia and Glafcos Clerides of Cyprus were the only heads of state. The premiers of the Netherlands, Bulgaria, Albania, Sloventa, Armenia and the Australian state of Victoria attended. Germany, Canada, Belgium, Iran, Turkey, Croaula, Georgia and Malta sent their foreign ministers. Treasury Secretary Robert E. Rubin represented the United States, Vice-Premier Vitaly Ignateuko represented Russia and Vice-President Abdel Halim Kadam came from Syria.

DURBAN (AP) - With thousands of armed police and soldiers standing guard, voung in South Africa's most turbulent region went off smoothly almost everywhere yesterday in elections for local leaders delayed twice by violence and political wrangling.
While the voting is for local officials only, it

is considered a significant barometer of the strength of the nation's two leading black parties - Nelson Mandela's African National Congress and the Zuln nationalist Inkatha Freedom party - in the traditional Zulu home-land of KwaZulu-Natal province.

Two polling stations closed in the course of the morning. One at Umlazi, outside Durban, when scuffling broke out between unemployed people who were angry at not having been employed as officials, an independent radio station reported.

Another closed but later reopened after Inkatha supporters chased away people they claimed were not residents of the ward near Stanger, 80 km north of Durban. At most stations voting started at 7 a.m. and

was delayed only by logistical problems. In Donnybrook, one of the areas worst hit by violence in recent months, voters dressed up against near freezing temperatures, sometimes hoping for the same things from different par-

Caleb Sbelembe, 57, hoped that after local elections the ANC would provide more roads. He had just walked three km from his but across one of the district's rolling hills.
"We are long suffering." Shelembe said.

Bill Dlamini, 56, also boped for electricity, roads and clinics closer than 25 km from his hillside home, as they are at present. But he was voting for Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha party.

"I vote for him because I am born Zulu," Dlamini said. But three of his children would vote the

other way, and he didn't understand that. "I support them. I buy them food. I don't know wby they changed." Diamini said. Polls close at 10 p.m. with the first results expected today afternoon at the earliest. The

rural KwaZuln-Natal meant final results were. unlikely until next week. -About 3-2-million people, or 75 percent of those eligible, registered to cast ballots.

poor communications and infrastructure in

Police and soldiers set up roadblocks and searched for weapons Tuesday in final preparations for the vote.

Posters of Mandela and Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi lined the highways and

winding, rural roads, showing the two major parties were depending on the personal popularity of their national leaders to win votes for officials akin to mayors and district commis-

The ANC and Inkatha have fought for control of the Zulu heartland for 12 years. More than 14,000 people have died in the Zulu-versus-Zulu conflict, which remains the single greatest threat to stability in post-apartheid South Africa.

Calls for peace from Inkatha and ANC leaders in recent weeks, along with the heavy security, raised hopes of violence-free voting.

But both parties complain that some rivalcontrolled areas remain off-limits to their candidates and supporters. The province continues to be one of the most dangerous areas in South Africa, with scores of people dying each

Month.

As Inkatha statement Tuesday said one of its officials, Dabada Mbonambi, was shot and killed execution style. The is home on Sunday night, while another official, Sam Khumalo, was gunned down outside his home on

It was unclear whether those deaths - or any of the dozens of others in KwaZulu-Natal in recent days - were linked to politics.

## Holocaust museum divides Germany's Jews

BONN (Reuter) - A split emerged among Germany's Jewish leaders yesterday over whether to add a new Holocaust museum to the list of projects which aim to keep memories of the Nazi slaughter alive but compete for scarce financing.

"We have too much responsibility to simply launch something like this without being certain it can be brought to fruition," Michel Friedmann, a board member at the Central Council of Jews in Germany, said of the Berlin muse-

um project. "The danger is that, because of the welter of ideas and suggestions, too little comes of it," he told German Radio.

Other prominent Jews have backed the Central Museum against Crimes against Humanity, proposed in 1993 as Germany's main documentation center for the Holocaust and other atrocines.

The debate has taken on new dimensions because another big project - erecting a Holocaust monument in Berlin - remains stalled by political controversy and a shortage of funds.

"I admire the courage of the museum proponents to start such an initiative at all given the sluggish flow of funds for the Holocaust monument," Ignatz Bubis, leader of Germany's Jewish community, told the Berliner Morgenpost newspaper this week. He has also warned against the

danger of the monument project being "talked to death" unless officials act soon.

The musuem project is being pushed by the Hanover-based Cultural Peace and Conflict Research Institute, which has lined up prominent figures from politics and the arts as backers.

It says its goal is to "reveal the Holocaust comprehensively in its singularity and cynicism" as well as document subsequent atrocities ranging from Cambodia to former Yugoslavia.

Lea Rosh, a driving force behind the Holocaust monument project, defended the museum plan this week, telling the Berliner Morgenpost it would be a "necessary and a sensible complement" to other sites in Germany.

The governments of Berlin and the surrounding state of Brandenburg have opposed the museum plan, insisting instead on fixing up the state's Sachsenhausen and Ravensbrueck concentration camp sites, now in disrepair.

After all, they say, there can be no more effective reminder of the Holocaust than the original death camps themselves.

Friedmann said he liked the idea of the Holocaust museum in principle because it could help enlighten young people about the rise of Nazism and murderous antisemitism. But now it was time to set priorities, and get on with the job, he added.

Bubis has accused German officials of footdragging on plans for the country's first national Holocaust memorial, whose cornerstone is set to be laid on January Germany's Holocaust Memorial Day - in central Berlin

## Major urges Diana to accept divorce settlement

Buddhism's 'Dead Sea Scrolls' found

and provide a valuable insight

'into the early foundations of the

"What we get is a very vivid

picture of how the people of that

time conceived of the Buddha,"

said Richard Salomon, an expert

in ancient languages from the

University of Washington in

Seattle, who helped authenticate

the manuscripts. He compared the

discovery to the Dead Sea Scrolls.

certainly the early extant Buddhist

the canon of the Sarvasuvadin

texts," said Salomon.

What we have here is almost-

They are believed to be part of

LONDON (Reuter) - British Prime Minister John Major believes a divorce settlement offered by Prince Charles to Princess Diana is astonishingly generous and has urged Diana to accept it, the Sun newspaper

said yesterday.

The Sun, Britain's best-selling tabloid, said the settlement offered by the heir to the throne was believed to be worth 20 million pounds (NIS 102 million), including a lump sum, annual income, properties and

Major's office confirmed that the prime minister met Diana, separated from Charles since 1992, on Monday but declined to reveal what was discussed. Princess Diana's spokeswoman, Jane Atkinson, said the 45-minute meeting was "one of ber regular meetings with the prime minister" - she is believed to see Major every six months. Atkinson also

Library has found what it

believes to be Buddhism's equiv-

alent of the "Dead Sea Scrolls",

written on strips of birch tree bark

dating from as early as the second

century AD, researchers said yes-

The manuscripts on 60 separate fragments of different sizes

include some of Buddha's poems,

They were written up to 600

years after Buddha's death in

either the fourth or fifth century

BC, but scholars say they are the

oldest Buddhist texts ever found

sermons and treatises.

Details of the settlement were given to the government earlier this month and ministers were astonished, the Sun said.

"It was regarded as too generous. But the prince is determined not to appear mean. He wants a line drawn under the whole matter," it said. The Daily Star, another tabloid, said the offer

included an annual income for Diana of 750,000 pounds (N1S 3.8 million). It speculated a divorce announcement was imminent. "Some royals are thought to favor an official

announcement just before the England-Germany. Euro 96 soccer clash to lessen the impact," it said. Diana, 34, has been embroiled in a bitter divorce battle with the father of her two boys since she agreed to end the 15-year-old marriage in February.

sect which dominated Gandhara -

now onthe Pakistan-Afghan bor-

Gandhara was one of the great

The British Library, the national

library based in central London.

said it bought the manuscripts

from a dealer for a "five-figure"

They had to be unfurled with

extreme care. They looked like

2,000-year-old cigars that some-

one bad stepped on," said

sum. It gave no further details.

centres of Buddhism in ancient

times from where it spread to cen-

tral and eastern Asia.

Salomon.

#### White House averts contemptof-Congress vote

WASHINGTON (AP) - On the eve of congressional testimony by two central figures in the FB1 files controversy, the White House staved off a potentially embarrassing cootempt-of-Congress vote over travel office documents.

House Republicans called off the threatened vote after the White House agreed to let some lawmakers view 2,000 pages of the subpoenzed documents concerning the 1993 travel office firings, for which President Clinton had claimed executive privilege. "We averted a constitutional cri-

sis," White House counsel Jack Ouinn said after he and Rep. William Clinger, Republican of Pennsylvania, chairman of the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee, emerged from a meeting on Capitol Hill. It was the second time in a

month that White House aides averted a criminal contempt vote by the House in their dispute with the Republican-led committee over documents. The vote bad been scheduled for today.

Clinger's committee was to bold a hearing today on the other documents debacle importuning the administration: the White House's improper gathering of FB1 background files on hundreds of presidential employees from the Reagan and Bush years.

In the latest disclosure the Army detailee in the middle of the furor gathered FBI reports on 300 current and former national security staffers including Bush administration national security adviser Brent Scowcroft. That was in addition to the previously known collection of 407 files of former White House employees.

Clinger said he believed it was the recent "storm of publicity" over the FBI files that made the White House change course and agree to show the travel office documents.

It was the batch of travel office documents handed over by the White House last month that led to the discovery that 407 FBI files had been obtained improperly. Among the employees whose files were gathered was fired travel office chief Billy Dale.

To sidestep the impasse over the travel office documents, the White House agreed to let a handful of committee members, both Republicans and Democrats, view material still withheld.





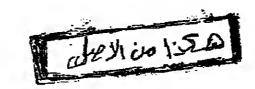
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# Disney's Hunch raises eyebrows in LA

THE Walt Disney Company, which is under threat of a boycon by 16 million Baptists for "disparaging Christian values," is bracing itself for more critisian as it releases its for more criticism as it releases its animated film, The Hunchback of Naire Dame in

The studio that was lambasted for presenting Pocahontas as a busty beauty is anticipating more brickbats for what it has done to Victor Hugo's story of Quasimodo, the disfigured bell

Those who have seen early screenings of the film report a dark tale of sexual obsession and genocide interspersed - for merchandise marketing opportunities. say cynics - with talking gar-goyles and a cute, earring-

adorned goat.
In addition, the film has been accused of having homosexual undertones because a song sung Quasimodo, called "Out There," shares its title with a gay advocacy group.

This is a movie that parents of young children should be cautious about," said Marilyn Beck, a Hollywood columnist and film

LOS ANGELES critic. "li's darker and more

intense than most Disney fare." Animators take full advantage of the plight of lonely, tortured Quasimodo, confined to a bell tower and banned from society by his evil surrogate father Frollo. while he yearns for the sensual

Although Disney dodged a potential outcry by changing Froilo from the cleric he was in Hugo's novel to a judge, he is depicted as a power-hungry megalomaniac who develops a depraved lust for Esmerelda, whose voice is supplied by Demi

Jason Alexander, the actor who is the voice of one of the gar-goyles, describes Esmerelda as "awfully provocative," adding: "She's up there in the Pocahantas category for babe of the year." An executive with the Cineplex

Odeon chain who was invited to a screening of the film said: "Il deals with murder and imprisonment from the beginning. You have the baby Quasimodo snatched away from his mother [and] then almost nturdered as

'And then there's one part where Frollo is watching the fire and the flames start to dance and become the image of Esmerelda's body, which some people considered a bit provocative.

Studio executives say the scene was changed to make it clearer that the image of Esmerelda was fully clothed and they are unconcerned at the possi-

bility of parental protests.".

Peter Schneider, president of Disney's feature animation division, said: "We know that someone will always take issue with something, but we just deal with

that when it comes along.

"We never grapple with whether someone will take issue with something or not. It's all about telling the tale. This picture is about how we all want to be heroie. It's that whole Superman idea that we all secretly harbor to save the day, no manter what we look like or who we are,"

In her column, Beck took Disney to task for including the

gargoyles and goal simply to create a demand for loys.

We can only wonder, if Disney continues along such lines of adult-themed movies crammed with toy possibilities, where will they go next?" she wrote.

Tons load befriends a pair of wisecracking potato bugs in Disney's *The Grapes of Wrath*? The mind boggles. Disney's marketing division is

eagerly making the most of the opportunities presented by a film set in the third most visited monument in Paris.

In a link-up with American Express, Disney is offering a travel package that includes a stay at Disneyland Paris and a nighttime tour of Notre Dame cathedral.

"It's going to be a way for adults to encourage their kids to see the more cultural side of Paris," said a Disneyland official.

Unfortunately, Quasimodo fans hoping to explore the towers where Hugo's fictional character rang the bells will be unlucky: Notre Dame is undergoing a renovation that has closed the towers for at least two years. (The Daily Telegraph)

# Let your fingers do the walking

few weeks ago, a friend heard me complaining A ahout having to do the grocery shopping. Do it by phone, she suggested, producing a slip of paper with a toll-free number she had received from another friend.

Before I had time to object, she dialed the number of the Telesal conipany (pan of the Supersol chaint to request a catalog. Two days later, the thick, glossy booklet arrived at my door. By the time I had finished reading the professionally laid-out introduction and table of contents - clearly written in both Hebrew and English - I began to flip through the rest. This gave new meaning to "letting your fingers do the

walking." Each "chapter" of goods represents a different section of the supermarket. Passpon-sized color photos of the items (from tuna to toiletries) decorate the pages, each with its own catalog number and description te.g. name, weight, fat-contents. Due to market fluetuations, prices are not listed, but are provided upon request at the time of order. And they are identical to those of the Hypercol stores, from which they are delivered to customers' homes.

Though aware that more and more shops enable loyal clientele to order goods by phone, I was surprised by the sophistication of this operation. And I was astonished to discover that this service has been around since 1989.

According to Telesal manager Sarah Romano, in spile of the service's low profile in terms of advertising, the company has an annual growth rate of 60 percent. "We prefer that our service be

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spread by word of mouth." she said, pointing to the company's policy of sending a gift to a custonter who recruits another custonter. "Furthermore, the manpower required to pull off such a large-scale operation is great. As a result, we want an increase in clientele to develop gradually and carefully, so as not to sacrifice efficient service," she explained.

SO FAR, this service is available mainly in the center of the country - from Rehovot and Yavne to the suburbs of Haifa.

Catalogs come out twice a year. New products, or others which do not appear, can be requested, and if they are sold at Supersol, they will be delivered.

Deliveries cost NIS 15 per order. On Sundays, Mondays and Tuesdays, they cost NIS 10 for orders above NIS 150. First-time customersget a free delivery. Payment is made via credit card, at the time of the order. For same-day deliveries, orders are received from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. But if you want a delivery on a Friday or holiday eve, you can order any time from Wednesday morning until Friday morning. round the clock.

But the thing most reminiscent of American-style catalog order-ing is that from Wednesday at 7 a.m. until Friday at 8 a.m., round the clock, someone is available to take orders. So, you insomniacs with a sudden urge to get an errand out of the way, take heed. Other special Telesal services include: packages for soldiers.

holiday packages, and birthday packages. And, for shoppers who never stray from their weekly fare, a standing order can be given, enabling you to request "the usual." Since all orders are received in

flower deliveries, special sales.

Tel Aviv, and the entployees at the Hypercol markets whose job it is to fill carts with Telesal orders are situated in various locations, customers are asked whether they are "flexible." In this case, "flexible" refers to the degree of leeway a customer is willing to give the company regarding substitutions.

If you want Thuva 5-percent cottage citeese, and there is only Turn 5-percent cottage cheese, for example," said Romano, "we want to know how much of a difference that makes to you."

In any case, according to both Romano and the catalog, any delivered product with which a customer is dissatisfied will be collected and credited to his

My own order arrived safely. soundly, and during the estimated time period I was given. Tipping the delivery men, as I had been informed, was unnecessary.

The only real hitch is getting used to browsing pages as though they are aisles. Marking down calalog numbers is also a bit eumbersome. Though you may order without providing catalog numbers, this takes longer.

Telesal's toll-free numbers: (1771 022-5656; (1771 022-5363.

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## Mr. Biro, inventor of the ballpoint, finally honored in his native land

IN England, a ballpoint pen is popularly immediately upon contact with paper. It got me called a "biro," but few know why. Because Lin the country of his birth, even encyclopedias forgot to mention Jozsef Laszlo Biro. Now, Hungary is paying belated tribute to

dedicated to his life and work opened in Budapest on Monday. Biro, who was born in Budapest in 1899 and died in Buenos Aires on November 24, 1985, stumbled on the most famous of his more than

the inventor of the ballpoint pen. An exhibit

100 inventions nearly 60 years ago. Working as a journalist in the 1930s, he bemoaned that the ink in his Pelican fountain pen often dried. "Many times I had to borrow a pen during interviews," he later recalled in a

One day, Biro was in a Budapest printing shop, and saw how they used an ink that dried thinking how this process could be simplified right down to the level of an ordinary pen."

That took six years. Biro's patent was registered on February 15, 1939. In 1944, by which time he had emigrated to Argentina, he sold the manufacturing rights to a US pen company for

Biro moved to Argentina at the invitation of that country's president, Augustino P. Justo, whom he met at a Yugoslav resort in 1938.

"As early as 1936, my father said that all of Europe will soon be consumed by flames." said his daughter, Mariana Biro-Sweet, who came from her home in Buenos Aires for the

But before leaving Hungary in 1940, be invented an automatic gear shift, which General Motors immediately bought.

keep me from selling it to a competitor, and then lold me they had no intention of using it." When he died in 1985, Biro was working on new technology to enrich uranium. In honor of its famous immigrant, Argentina marks

Inventors' Day on Biro's birthday, September

The Hungarian's inquisitive and varied mind drove him into all kinds of professions before he settled on being an inventor. He joined the Austro-Hungarian army at age 15 to fight in World War I. After that, he worked as a journalist, painter, sculptor, art critic, race car driver and hypnotist.

The inner process that leads to painting a picture or working out a new invention is the same," he wrote, "the same excitement and the same challenge to attain something."

## An aromatherapeutic treat based on pure essential oils. Other

promise you'll feel great for the rest of the week," says Jacqueline as she gently massages essential oils into

Jacqueline, an accounts elerk turned beautieian, works as a beauty hostess for Schestowitz, an imponer and distributor of fragrances, eosmeties and skin Irealment products, who have recently introduced Paris-based Decleor's aromatherapy - based on plant extracts, fruit acids and aromatic essences - to the mar-

Jacqueline starts by coaring my body with a peeling cream, which she informs are will aid my cell regeneration. After a few minutes. she sends me into the shower to wash it off, and then starts applying essential oils, using a massage technique which runs the gamut from palm walking down my spine to feather-light finger tip strokes.

The pressure movements of the fingers combined with the essential oils are supposed to improve the condition of the skin, tone and relax muscles, stimulate blood flow and cellular exchanges and

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relieve stress.

One of the products which produces most of these results is Circulagel, which after application to the knee joints, not only invigorates the legs, but actually, cools them to the extent that one feels as if one has received an invisible, weightless transplant of an iceblock.

The peeling cream for the face body, and is followed with generous applications of velver cleansing milk, face lotion, cleansing oil, aromessence, a phytotherapeutic mask, serunt and eye cream - all of which feel so soothing and relaxing.

Aromatherapy dates back to biblical times. The ancient Egyptians were smitten with it, and even in modern Egypt, considerable importance is anached to the therapeutic value of essential oils.

Yet for all that, there are relalively few international companies that specialize in products

high quality companies include Clarins and Biotherm. The main reason for the dearth

of competition, says Herve Lesieur, president and owner of Decleor, is the cost of the raw material. "It takes 100 kilos of roses to get 100 grams of essential oil of roses, he points out...

Lesieur is in Israel to pave the way for the September launch of Decleor's new Whitening, Skin Care range developed at the special request of the company's lighten pigmentation spots, freckles and age spots, it is already being used in other Asian countries to lighten complexions. "It's the opposite of a self-tanning product," says Michael Scheslowitz, CEO of the company which represents Decleor in Israel, who has run successful tests on Israelis of dark complex-

Lesieur and Schestowitz are discussing the possibility of opening a Decleor Treatment Salon in Israel. "It's a fabulous idea," he enthuses, "but the timing has to be

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## Twin-headed serpent

S if on cue, following Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's attack oo Syria for harboring terrorist splinter groups in Damascus, one of those splinters – Abu Moussa's Palestine National Liberation Organization - elaimed responsibility for yesterday's murderous unprovoked attack on the IDF in the Jordan Valley.

If any one doubted that the terrorist fanatics of the Middle East were still active, Tuesday's horrendous truck hombing that killed 19 Americans and injured bundreds of people at the US Air Force complex in Dhahran, Saudi Arahia, sbould further dispel such illusions. The explosion brought back the nightmare of the 1983 truck bomh in Beirut that killed 241 US Marines, also at a military harracks.

The two attacks were also a timely reminder that terrorists keep their promises, and those wbo barbor or arm them are as guilty as the perpetrators. The Moslem fundamentalist underground in Saudi Arabia (the Comhatant Partisans of God) had vowed revenge for the beheading of the four terrorists recently found guilty of bombing the US military center in Riyadh last November. Hizhullah and the lunatic Palestinian fringe in Damascus have likewise heen promising to accelerate their attacks

on Israel. The attackers who struck near Jericho, killing three IDF soldiers and wounding two others, clearly came from Jordan, yet no hlame can be directed at Amman beyond whatever security lapse allowed the infiltrators to reach Israel from Jordan via Syria. Jordanian troops swiftly joined the IDF in combing the border to find the terrorists, and King Hussein promptly called Netanyahu to express his condolences and support. He correctly hlamed those who aimed to sabotage the peaceful horder between Israel and Jordan, and it was clear he meant his troublemaking northern neighbor.

If the Palestinian Authority's enthusiasm for rooting out terrorism was a fraction of Jordan's. all the people in this region - Israelis, Palestinians and Jordanians - could forge a formidable security wall against the criminal sponsors of violent mischief in Damascus and Teheran. It should he obvious to all Arab leaders - as it is to Israelis - that Damascus would like nothing better than to subvert all borders on all fronts, for this is a regime that hates all its neighbors. cupied Lehanese.

The twin-headed serpeot behind virtually all recent terrorism is the unholy alliance of Iran and Syria. Shi'ite eastern Saudi Arahia, of which Dhahran is the main city, has always been a fertile hreeding ground for Iranian subversion, just as the Shi'ite community in Bahrain across the causeway from Dhahran has spawned an unprecedented wave of Iranianbacked terrorism this year in the formerly peaceful emirate.

It is depressing that although it is repeatedly noted that Syrian-Iranian terrorism is the fundamental threat facing all states in this region and to Western interests here and beyond - it still seems impossible to forge a strategic alliance to combat it. Last weekend's Arab summit wasted its time griping about Israel, as usual, and, almost as disturbing, the European Union summit in Florence passed a nasty little resolutioo attacking the United States for its plans to sanction firms doing husiness with the Middle East's outlaw states - Iran, Iraq and Libya. If enlighteoed and democratic Europe cannot be persuaded to wage all-out war oo the sponsors of terror, what can he expected of the feeble and strife-ridden sheikhs, kings and dictators of the Arah League?

The Sharm e-Sheikh conference earlier this year, following the four terrorist attacks in Jerusalem, Ashkelon and Tel Aviv, was a glimmer of hope that has fizzled out. The promised follow-up conference in Luxembourg, where it was hoped the Europeans would join Arab moderates, America and Israel in putting real muscle into a joint ouslaught on terrorism, never coovened. The Arah League summit returned that ineffectual and unholy alliance of terrorist and moderate states to the tried and tired old path of Israel-hashing. It could have chosen to acknowledge publicly that Netanya-hu's alleged "hard line" vis-a-vis negotiations could also have a positive impact when viewed as an even harder line against those who are enemies of Jordan, the Palestinians, Egypt, Algeria and the Gulf states no less than they are enemies of Israel.

The treaties with Jordan and Egypt should be a clear message to all moderate Arah states that Israel doesn't care what type of government. rules a neighboring state as long as it is not a terrorist regime. It is Syria's terrorism that has shown the "Syrian track" to be nothing more than a tangled undergrowth of violent and deceitful machinations. Hafez Assad had his chance to deal with the most amenable and friendly Israeli government he could have wished to face. He still could not cut a deal, nor himself from his Iranian mullah friends. The time has come for his mask of "peace partner" to be stripped off. The face of terrorism beneath must be consigned to the isolated den of Middle Eastern pariahs under international censure and



# Saddam's sly revenge

ESTERDAY'S massive bomb blast in Saudi Arabia which devastated the US forces' residential quarter in the "secure" Khobar zone of Daharan bore all the signs of another Iranian fundamentalist atrocity. That, at least, was the view of most "informed" experts on inter-

national terror. Yet Israeli counter-intelligence people who have been analyzing the subject of Middle Eastern terror closely are convinced that, for

once, Teheran isn't the culprit. They point a finger directly at Saddam Hussein, who is still seeking revenge for the humiliation he suffered when US forces crushed his army and destroyed his ambition - a temporary setback, in his view - to topple the Kuwaiti and Saudi Arahian regimes five years ago.
A clue to Saddam's motive lies

in the fact that President Clinton faces elections in November. Saddam has never forgotten how he lived up to his boast that hated enemy George Bush would be "long forgotten" while he still ruled in Baghdad. ........

Saddam views Clinton as another "Satan" whom he is also determined to bury for keeping his country until strict embargo conditions until very recently.

"Saddam is a man of immense cunning," an Israeli expert on the Iraqi regime told us, "and revenge is integral to his mindset. Nothing will give him more joy than he ing commentators in Washington saying that the bombing in Saudi Arabia constitutes a heavy blow for Clinton before the elections. "Saddam knows full well that

the finger of suspicion will be pointed at Iran. And he will be as delighted as the cat who swallowed the cream at having fooled the entire world."

It is a fact that Israel, America, and Arab regimes like Jordan have repeatedly condemned the terrorist threat emanating from Iran. It was the main theme at the anti-terror meet in Sharm-e-Sheikh; and Clinton is hammering away at it in his attempt to persuade Western leaders to join him in outlawing the Iranian government until it stops its terror war against the rest of the world.

It has been proved that Iranians were behind the slaying of 240 US soldiers in Beirut in October 1983. Iranians were responsible for the 1992 bomb blast at the Israeli Embassy in Buenos Aires

**URI DAN DENNIS EISENBERG** 

that resulted in over a score of deaths; and again in 1994, when 100 perished in an explosion that wrecked a Jewish communal center in the same city.

It's hardly a wonder that, with this record, the international bully boys of Teheran are now the targets of suspicion. And that's why Saddam is so pleased.

He felt snubbed by not being invited to last week's Arab sum-

Experts say Iraq's ruler is gratified and vastly amused. Yesterday's bombing in Saudi Arabia satisfied his lust for revenge - and Iran is carrying the can

Saddam expert put it: "While the Iranians carry the can, Saddam ruhs bis hands in glee. He will look - and feel - innocent over having sent the dynamite-loaded road tanker to Khobar." IT WAS thirst for revenge that

mit in Cairo, and now, as our

made the Iraqi despot offer \$5 million reward to a band of international thugs if they killed George Bush while he was on a post-presidential visit to Kuwait in March 1993. Only at the very last minute and by sheer good fortune was the plot discovered and nipped in the bud. Back then a combined CIA-FB1

team despatched to Kuwait was surprised to discover that Saddam and not Iran was behind the plot. Revenge isn't the only reason for yesterday's murderous attack on US soldiers in Saudi Arabia.

With a bit of luck, the US will intensify its pressure on Iran, especially with Clinton now having to prove that he is tough. With a lot of luck American forces might even strike at Iran, and that would be a double revenge for Saddam, who considers Iran his greatest enemy.

It is a much-strengthened Saddam who now sits in

faction as European and Far Eastern powers jostle for a share from their trading with Iraq. This comes in the wake of foolish and greedy action by France, Germany and other countries who persuaded the UN to ease the oil

On one side is Prince Bandar Sultan, deputy prime minister and father of the Saudi ambassador to the US. The Americans would like him

Abdullah.

Wheo Fahd realized how Abdullah was being manipulated, he revoked his decision to put Abdullah on the throne, even though it meant delaying his retirement to the comfort of his vast fortress-palace in Malaga in southern Spain.

Yesterday's bomb blast will fur-ther unsettle the shaky position of the Royal House of Saud. Instability added to insecurity regarding the continuing flow of oil from the richest Arab country is hound to cause a jump in prices. And all the while the cunning ruler of Baghdad will be smiling as the value of the oil the Europeans bave now kindly allowed him to sell spirals

upward. This increased revenue will be very welcome. It will mean, among other things, more resources for the Iraqi tyrant to strike again at a weakened regime amid the shifting Arabian sands.

The writers are authors of The Mossad: Secrets of the Israeli Secret Service and other books on the Middle East.

Baghdad, looking on with satisof the vast sums which will result

embargo against Iraq. There is yet another reason for Saddam to strike at Saudi Arabia. Like everyone else in the Middle East, he is aware of the massive internal struggle inside the Saudi Royal family over who is to take over from the ailing King Fahd.

to succeed, for his main challenger is is the religious, ultraconservative Prince Abdullah. So anti-Western is Abdullah that he initially opposed the US Army rescuing Saudi Arabia when Saddam invaded Kuwait. Complicating the issue is Abdullah's wife, sister to Rifat,

who is the brother of Syrian President Assad. She wants Sandi Arabia to join the camp of the extremist anti-Western rulers in Damascus and Teheran. And she has immense influence over

# Boxed in

GREER FAY CASHMAN

TF Prime Minister Netanyahu had stayed bome and watched TV on Monday night instead of attending the Jerusalem 3000 festivities, the savings in security precautions would have been in the hundreds of thousands of shekels.

More important, the premier's absence would have allowed Jerusalemites to move freely about their own city.

When Yigal Amir assassinated Yitzhak Rabin last November, he didn't just murder the prime minister, he drastically limited my freedom of movement and that of any Israeli or visitor to this country who atteods a function graced by the president or prime minis-

ter.
That senseless killing (which might have been averted had security forces been more alert and coordinated) generated an obsessive concern for the safety of the nation's leaders.

Since then, even if Ezer Weizman or Nelanyahu or Shimon Peres make no more than a three-minute appearance at an affair, the other participants are required to show up two hours in advance and pass through an electronic security gate after emptying their pockets of keys, coins and other metallic objects.

How much money has been lost in possible business deals because of all the time wasted? How much quality time has been frittered away by people being forced to hang around endlessly?

To the credit of our public. most people - at least at the functions I've attended - accept the inconvenience with good grace. The Rabin murder was one tragedy too many and no one wants to witness another. If the new security measures are the price of safety, so be it.

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BUT ARE they? And is it logical for so many people to be put out for one individual - eveo if he is the president or prime minister?

Precantions to protect our leaders go to such incredible extremes that on Monday night the resideots of Jerusalem's Old City were quite literally gbet-toized. From 8 p.m. until almost midnight they could neither enter nor exit via the Jaffa Gate, and coming in or going out through any of the other gates, entailed a huge detour, generally on foot.

I was visitiog a friend who lives in the Old City, and we had planoed to watch the firework display together from some good vantage point near David's Citadel.

We got as far as the back of the citadel - but were then prevented by police barriers from continuiog. So I thought I'd go home and watch it all on TV.

Do us citizens a favor, Bibi, and say an occasional no when they invite you to a mass event

But I couldn't even get to the Jaffa Gate. Police stopped me. My instioctive response was: "I'm not Palestinian, I'm Jewish."

"It doesn't matter what you are," came the answer. "The rules are the same for everyone. You can't go through." If it was that important for me to get out, I was told, I could use the Zion

It was a long walk, and much of the path was unlit. It was also scary, because although there was one woman police officer oo dury at Zion Gate itself, there were oo security personnel whatsoever along the rest of the route until one came to the back of the Sultan's Pool. Anything might have bappeoed.

Then as I turned toward Yemin Moshe (which is opposite the Old City), my way was barred three times.

By this time, my temper dangerously frayed, I screamed at police that I was sick and tired of being forced to walk around my owo city, and that impeding my efforts to get bome was completely undemocratic. Aware that bystanders were endorsing my comments, the officers on duty decided they didn't want any trouble and letme through.

Would it be so terrible if the president and the prime minister refused some invitations to mass events, letting it be known that it was in the interests of cutting security costs and allowing the public increased access to public places?

The writer is a member of The Jerusalem Post editorial staff. The views expressed are not. necessarily those of the paper.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### TIME FOR

RECONCILIATION Sir, - I refer to your article of June 2, "Ben-Eliezer: Weak Arab vote caused Labor's loss." I am an Israeli Arab professor who resides temporarily in the US. I am very surprised to read that one of the Labor leaders blames the Israeli Arabs for Labor's loss. We all know that while the majority of the Israeli Arabs voted for PM Peres, only 45

percent of the Jews voted for him. First of all, we have to learn a lesson not to blame each other. Secand, among the Jewish population, Netanyahu was 11 percent ahead over Peres, and the Arab citizens only belped Peres to reduce this gap. I hope they will stop bickering and

exchanging accusations.

It is time for bealing and not accusations. We need to unite the country and build bridges between all the people in Israel and the region. We should make efforts to overcome the deep bitterness and distrust among us. We should concentrate now no developing bridges between Israeli Arabs and Jews, left an right, and religious and secular segments of Israel. We need to pray to make Israel a place for all citizens and a better and peaceful place for future MAGID IGBARIA

Claremont, California.

#### **BRITISH ELECTIONS**

Sir, - I would like to appeal to citizens of the United Kingdom who have been abroad less than 20 years and wish to exercise their right to a proxy vote in the next election in

Registration must be made before October to be on the electoral register for 1997. Interested readers to write to me at P.O.B. 3263, Tel Aviv. Their addresses will be sent to the British Labor Party, which will send them the Labor Party registration pack, explaining the registration

LESLIE RAYNE, Chairman, British Committee, Israel Labor Party Tel Aviv.

#### SMOKING AT AIRPORT

Sir, - I was recently waiting for relatives in the new arrival hall building of Ben-Gurion Airport. No matter where I stood, there was someone in my vicinity fouling the air with smoke from his cigarette. I looked around and not one "No Smoking's sign was visible in the entire building. After my own pleas to stop smoking were ignored, I asked a security guard to ask those smoking near me to put out their cigarettes. He endeared himself to me by replying "I will never tell an Israeli not to smoke and if you don't understand the Israeli mentality, go back to where you came from!

This is clearly a public building where smoking should be prohibited or at least limited to certain areas. Where are the "No Smoking" signs? Why can't the security guards or the police enforce the law? At the very least, courtesy should be shown to a member to the public who

points this out. DR. MENACHEM GROSS

#### TRUE PEACE

Sir, -1 am of the opinion that Mr. Arafat sincerely believes in a peaceful resolution to problems between Palestinians an their neighbors. However, it is important to remember Mr. Arafat does not represent the opinion of Palestinians in an overwhelming way.

It seems to me that successful peace negotiations can only take place when negotiators can reasonably insure their constituents will bonor the process. At this juncture, 1 don't think these assurances can be made. Therefore, Mr. Netanyahu's victory (and his "cautious" approach to the peace process) seems the wisest decision by the Israeli

electorate. Until true-and-lasting peace is the overwhelming desire of both sides in the process, negotiating peace makes little sense. It is up to both Mr. Arafat and Mr. Netanyahu to convince their constituents that peace is viable first and then pursue

it at the negotiating table.

J. ALEC WEST Vancouver, Washington.

#### RESPONSIBILITY FOR MURDER

Sir, -In Alon Shvut, this large but intimate community in which I live, it has now happened twice within the last 30 months. First Yitzhak Weinstock, now Efrat Unger and her busband - traveling on the road, shot at, and killed.

The Torah states, when someone dies in unnatural circumstances, in fact is killed, and his body discovered lifeless oo the field, the leaders of the people come down from Jerusalem to the place where the body is found, to clear themselves of any trace of suspicion for even indirect responsibility for the murder - to proclaim to the world that they as

leaders have done all that is human-

ly possible to ensure that such trage-

dies do not happen. The Babylonian Talmud describes the extraordinary lengths to which the leaders must go in order to clear themselves of even the hint of responsibility for what has occurred: To the point where they must clear themselves of the charge that they brought about economic conditions which forced the man to resort to robbery in order to feed himself, thus bringing about his own death at the hands of somebody else who was merely acting in self-

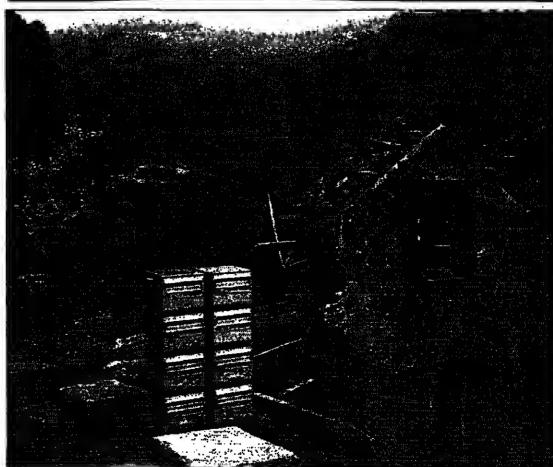
The Jerusalem Talmud is rather more blunt: The leaders have to examine themselves to determine whether they have done everything in their power to ensure that potential killers are not free to roam about and kill people at will.

Though purportedly a man of wide erudition, Mr. Peres is perhaps not an avid student of the Talmud. Babylonian or Jerusalem. More's the pity that the family of the dead don't summon him to the graveside, with all the moral force at the command, to face the living, and the dead lying at his feet, to examine his own conscience, or at least give a public accounting of himself, his policies, his deeds.

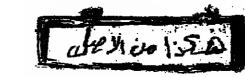
So who gave them the guns, Mr. Peres? Can he honestly state: "My hands did not spill this blood"?

HĀNOCH ABELMAN





Even if it may seem nobody's bome, the loyal mailman makes his rounds. Jerusalem photographer Anat Rotem-Braun was driving on the Portuguese island of Madeira when she came across this unexpected



# اهكوا من الاجيل

# Holocaust survivor challenges Christians Domestic violence

**ALEXANDER ZVIELLI** 

ACK Eisner was 15 years old when he fought the Germans in the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. He raised the wbite-and-blue flag on top of one of the houses in the Muranowska Square, the site of the fiercest struggle. He was lucky to be one of the few who survived.

Today Eisner is mobilizing more than 100 prominent scholars, theologians and historians, leading Christian academics as well as Holocaust survivors, for an international symposium entitled New Deal for the Jews, to be held in the US in the fall,

Among those who have expressed their intention to participate are Dr. Yitzhak Arad, Prof. Yehuda Bauer, Joel Carmichael Dr. Eugene Fisher, Rabbi Alexander Schindler, and Prof. Zvi Kolitz.

While Eisner gratefully acknowledges the work of pope John XXIII and the current Pope John Paul II in improving the Vatican's relations with Jews, Judaism and Israel, these, he said were "only the first steps." He is trying to establish a basis for a continuous effort by all Christian denominations to purge them-selves, in everyday life, in educational systems and literature, in seminaries and on the pulpit, of all that is anti-Jewish.

Eisner wants an organization to promote this effort, and believes that Holocaust survivors should openly and eourageously lead his new movement.

When the war ended, Eisner went to the US where he founded a successful import-export business. It was, however, during his first visit to Israel - and a return to Poland - in 1960 that he had



Warsaw Ghetto fighter Jack Eisner meets Pope John Paul II.

found his true vocation. His deeply hidden and disturb-

ing memories reawakened followine a reunion with old comrades at Kibbutz Lohamei Hageta'ot and a visit to the ruins of his Warsaw Ghetto bunker, Eisner resolved to get rid of his survivor's guilt complex by telling his story. He wrote a best-seller, The Survivar (William Murrow, 1980, and Kensington Publishers, 1995). The play of the same name written by Susan Nanus, and the movie written by Academy Award-winner Abby Mann and directed by Moshe Mizrahi, were

based on his autobiography.

During the '60s, Eisner challeneed Hannah Arendt's description of Jews being led like sheep to the slaughter. Together with Vladka Meed - who, as a young girl, had smuggled arms and ammunition into the ghetto - and with the assistance of other former fighters he founded the Warsaw Ghetto Resistance Organization.

Through the years Eisner has organized numerous commemorations, founded lectures on the Holocaust at New York City Graduate Center and been highly active in Jewish life. In 1982 he brought together a number of distinguished mental-health professionals for a symposium on how survivors should face their past and their children.

IN 1993, on the 50th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, he commissioned a memorial for the children of Warsaw. Made in France, it is a wall of plexiglass rocks. In each rock is a face of a ghetto child. The memorial, set up at the entrance to Warsaw's Gesia Street Jewish cemetery, is dedicated to the "Unknown

Ghetto Child."
On the left side he wrote that his grandmothers Masha and Hanna had 31 grandchildren and that he alone survived. On the right side is a poem, "The Little Smuggler" by Henryka Lazower, who was killed by the Nazis when she was 19. Eisner, the only living member of the former Warsaw Synagogue Children's Choir, was himself a little smuggler when he brought food and medicine for his starving family in the ghetto.

Eisner also restored the monument of Janusz Korczak and of his children at the same Gesia Street cemetery. The Mayor of Warsaw, Stanislaw Wyganowski. Catholic Archbishop Henryk Muszynski. scores of other dignitaries and more than 2,000 Polish and Jewish children anended the cere-

And last year Eisner was one of the organizers of a Holocaust Memorial at the Vatican. Together with Gilbert Levine twho conducted the Royal Philharmonic), the actor Richard Dreyfuss (who read the Kaddish), and Rabbi James Rudin, he faced Pope John Paul II and an audience of 9.000

Eisner, who today divides his time between New York and Caesarea, publicly blames Christianity for the evils that have beset the Jewish people.

Everywhere he goes he asks the same two questions: "How many of you know that Jesus was born and died a Jew?" Only 10 to 20 percent know the answer, he says, But then he asks: "How many of you know that Judas was a Jew?" And when almost 100 percent raise their hands he tells them: "This is the problem! What is

good and decent is never told to

# rears its ugly head

DEAR RUTHIE **RUTHIE BLUM** 



cor Ruthic. oround his Isroeli wife a bit. The renson: She never lets me finish a

sentence. When I tried to reason with her, she justified her position by saying: "In Rome, do as the Romans do" - that is to say, it is occepted manners in Israel never to let a persan finish o sentence. "Listen to any interview on the

radio or TV," she said, "Not even the leaders of the country are exempt. You have to adapt yourself ta local custonis."

Then I slapped her, telling her that in Israel wife-beating is also an accepted practice, with the press reporting that there are 200,000 battered wives here, When she began crying, I tald her that Israeli habits were a two-way

She said if I ever slap her again, she will leave me. I told her if she ever interrupted nie again. I would leave her. Do you have onv

> Harried Husband Samewhere in Israel

Dear Harried Married,

If you consider "interrupting a sentence" and "slapping a bit" to be on a par with one another even as an analogy - you are in need of some serious help.

As rude and irritating a habit as it is, the Israeli "custom" of "never letting a person finish a sentence" is a case of bad man-

Conversely, no matter how widespread domestic violence may be, it is not "customary." It is criminal, immoral, and derives from deep sickness. Your wife's threat to leave you the next time you assault her physically is not comparable to your own ultimatum about being granted courteous audience.

Perhaps it is finishing the marriage - and not a sentence - which is really behind the dangerous dynamic into which the two of you have entered. If so, you might as well acknowledge it; before you find yourself looking for further "legitimate" reasons for putting up your dukes.

If not, there is hope for future. Through couple counseling, for example, even your sahra wife might be able to make the effort to adapt to your "genteel" North American ways.

Dear Rinhie. I am a divorced mother of an eight-year-old. My ex-lusband has custody of our child every weekend. Every Saturday night. our child returns home completely out of whack. My ex has no ideo how to calm our son or relax with him. So it's restauronts, films, sweets, and toys which fill these

weekends. This is not so surprising, as he was un different as a fother when we were still married. But I cannot seem to get it into his thick skull that he is doing more harm than good, and that I om sick of hoving to be left restaring order during the rest of the week. How can I get him to listen?

Estinguisher of Fatherly Fires Somewhere in Isroel

Dear Fire Extinguisher. It is unlikely that you will ever "get" him to listen. People absorb only what they are ready to acknowledge, on the basis of their own realizations. Don't let this bother you too much though. since "getting" him to listen has no bearing on whether he will agree with your assessment.

What you can do is listen to yourself. Busy placing blanie, you are wasting precious energy which could be utilized more effectively to help your child.

The way your ex-husband spends his weekends with your son at this point is a given. If no real abuse is involved, you should work at readjusting your response to your child's return from his father's custody. Perhaps you are so enscended in the assumption that your weeks must be spent "restoring order" that you are losing sight of possible contributions on your part to your child's being "out of whack.

Maybe inadvertently you have been conveying a confusing mes-sage to him about his father - one which is serving to add fuel to the flames. So, rather than bracing yourself for these Saturday-night homeconsings, try exhibiting a little more delight about the intportance of the father-son bond as a whole, and a little less disapproval over the specific; content of the visits. After all. chocolate stains are a lot easier to remove than parental schisms are to alleviate.

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# Killing Fields leader 'meets his own death'

**TOM GROSS** 

OL Pot, regarded by many as the most evil, deprayed murderer since Hitler, is almost certainly dead. Intelligence sources in Phnom

Penh - credited as being reliable by diplomats stationed there confirmed rumors that the shadowy and obsessively secretive Khmer Rouge leader, who wiped out up to a quarter of the Cambodian population, died at the beginning of this month. He had "contracted malaria" in his mosquito-ridden jungle hideout

The Maoist revolutionary, whose Cambodian "killing fields" claimed nearly two million lives, was 68. He had not been seen in public since 1978, when the Soviet-backed communist Vietnamese invaded Cambodia and put an end to a four-year reign of terror which had virtually returned the country to medieval times.

With Chinese backing, Pol Pot ousted the American-backed Lon Nol regime in 1975. Following his strident Maoist philosophy, he began to reshape Cambodia. His aim was to create an ethnically pure, self-reliant peasant society of "total communism" free from all foreign influence.

The result was to turn Cambodia into a huge, nightmarish agricultural labor camp.

To bring about his Maoist

utopia, it was necessary to first return the country to "Year Zero." Populations were driven out of the cities and the middle classes wiped out. Those who used toothbrushes or wore glasses were regarded as

"bourgeois elements" and led away for execution by Pol Pot's teenage soldiers. The rest of the population was forced to eat insects and frogs they found in the fields. Punishment for eating fruit or rice - which were deemed to belong to

the "eeneral masses" - was imme-

diate execution. The famines that



resulted were proportionally even

worse than those Mao himself had inflicted on China.

Those left alive were subject to relentless and systematic indoctri-nation of the kind depicted in the 1984 Oscar-winning film The Killing Fields. Supposed enemies were sub-

jected to torture involving whips, chains and poisonous reptiles. Particular savagery was directed at the country's ethnic minorities. While brutal beyond belief, the highly secretive Pol Pot - a former

schoolteacher born Saloth Sar was also credited even by his enemies as having a hypnotic charm. Known in the Khmer Rouge as Brother No. 1," he knew how to be mild-mannered and had a soft smile. Those who heard him were said to feel enlightened by his teaching, his explanations and his

The Cambodian monarch, Norodom Sihanouk, who was held prisoner by the Khmer Rouge from 1976 to 1979, later told of a threehour conversation he had had with the Khmer Rouge leader.

"I knew he was mad," he said.
"But he talked so well, in such a spellbinding way, that I could not help listening to him without

Pol Pot (left), one of the world's most horrific mass murderers, and the remains of some of his victims (right).

interruption. On another occasion, the king said Pol Pot appeared as "a very gentle person, a lamb."

BORN INTO a middle-class-family, Pol Pot learned his Maoism in the company of left-wing intellecmals in the cafes of Paris, where he studied radio electronics in the 1950s. He had previously studied at a Buddhist temple where for a short time he was a monk.

He drove his first wife mad in the 1980s and she now lives in a mental hospital in China. He has an eight-year-old daughter by his second wife, a peasant woman and militant Khmer Rouge fighter now in her thirties.

Pol Pot was unrepentant to the end. He even said he had not killed enough. "Our work is not complete. I was too trusting of others," he declared.

The Khmer Rouge itself lives on, its remaining 6,000 active

fighters still receiving Chinese support while the West turns a blind eye. Ironically, King Sihanouk's royalists also now ecoperate with the Khmer Rouge. as a tool in their fight against the Vietnamese-backed communists.

Although the Khmer Rouge fighting force is much smaller than it was a few years ago, it is still capable of causing havoc beyond its base on the Thai-Cambodia frontier.

It is believed to be behind the killing of Haing Ngor, the 55-yearold doctor-turned-actor, who won an Oscar for his role in The Killing Fields, and was himself a survivor of torture by the Khmer Rouge. Ngor, a fierce critic of Pol Pot, was gunned down at his home in Los Angeles earlier this year.

Following Pol Pot's own teachings that total secrecy was necessary 10 confuse the enemy, the Khmer Rouge is unlikely to confirm its leader's death, and his final demise may prove impossible to ever verify - though there have been eye-witness reports of his funeral taking place.

International experts investigating Pol Pot's crimes have recently said that previous estimates of the numbers he killed - either executed as enemies of his radical agrarian revolution or as a result of overwork, disease or starvation were too low, and the true number who died under his rule is between 1.5 and two million out of a total Cambodian population of eight million.

The full story of the West's role in preventing him and his evil henchmen from being brought to justice is yet to be told. And although evidence of his crimes in the form of photographs of mass graves and piles of skulls is there for all to see, it seems that, like many leading Nazis, Pol Pot is another mass murderer who has evaded justice.

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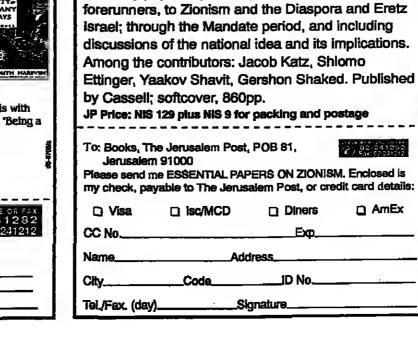
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# BUSINESS & FINANCE

THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 1996

# Meridor establishes group to monitor gov't spending

FINANCE Minister Dan Meridor. after meeting with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu yesterday, announced the creation of a permanent group to monitor the govemment's success in keeping to its

"My intention is to bind us all to our budget goals," Meridor said. "We must not permit any significant deviation from this, unlike what occurred in the last budgetary year."

The make-up of the team has yet to be revealed, but officials say it will only comprise ministry staff and not external figures, such as Bank of Israel Governor Jacob

The group, which will hold its first meeting on Sunday, will review the state of the macroeconomy. On a monthly basis, the committee will examine total expenditure and income in relauon to the budget deficit.

In addition to the Netanyahu, Director Finance Ministry Director General David Brodet, Frenkel, and the directors of the Budget and State Revenue Administration

departments attended the meeting. On several occasions this week, Meridor has stressed the need to reduce the deficit by reducing government expenditures and cutting the budget. Earlier this week, he told delegates to the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations that far from the Israeli government having 100 days grace, it does not even have seven.

During the meeting, Meridor said there is no need to talk about dramatic upheavals and changes, but just the need to put the econo-

my back on the right track.

The Finance Ministry should be able to make the major adjustments in the next fiscal year, rather than delaying the process, he said. "I am opumisuc about Israel's economic future if the necessary corrections are imple-

Despite the increasing media speculation about possible measures that would reduce inflation and the balance of payments deficit, Finance Ministry officials are still denying any formal decisions have been taken. "He is constantly involved in discussions, but hasn't decided anything yet,"

one source said. So far, ministry staff say there has been no significant change in the way the ministry operates, due in part to the fact that most of the staff that worked under Minister

Avraham Shohat have stayed on. "After all, only four people have left the ministry and that includes the minister himself," the

# Meridor pledges strong support for Bank of Israel

bank governor has two jobs: man-

aging ordinary central bank func-

serving as the government's eco-

nomic adviser. Frenkel's participa-

tion on the council is simply a means of fulfilling this second task,

He dismissed fears that the rate increase would lead to recession.

can affect [the economy] is the real

interest rate," he said. And given the current inflation rate, he continued,

a nominal increase of 1.5% is a

Meridor noted that the increase

was prompted by the high inflation

rate, which, like the skyrocketing

balance of payments deficit, is a

this excess, he said, must be the

"The primary solution [to these

problems] is a reduction in the public

budget," he said. "When public con-

sumption rises, this is reflected imme-

However, he said, the gap

between the richest and poorest

members of society has grown

rapidly over the past few years, so

the government must take steps to

ensure that much needed economic

reform does not hurt the poor.

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"It's clear that the only factor that

tions such as monetary policy, and

FINANCE Minister Dan Meridor

expressed strong support for the independence of the Bank of Israel in his first speech to the Knesset

Meridor was replying to six motions for the agenda on the central bank's decision to raise interest rates by 1.5%. Most of the speakers, including some from the coalition, attacked this decision, charging that it would lead to recession, increase unemployment, and hurt the weaker members of society.

The raising of interest rates is within the sole jurisdiction of the Bank of Israel ... and I say it's good that that's the way things are," Meridor responded. "There are many studies which show that the greater the independence of the central bank, the better [that country's] economic indicators look."

Not only is this division of powers sound economics, he added, but it is a fundamental part of the demo-

The division of authority is part of democracy," he said. "I am happy that not all the authority rests in one place."

Meridor also rejected charges that Bank of Israel Governor Jacob Frenkel is overstepping his role by his membership in the government's new economic advisory council. By law, he said, the central

"We must take care that those who are having trouble making it are not hurt," he said.

Meridor also leveled criticism at the previous government for measures such as the generous publicsector wage increases that swelled the budget. Since 1989, he said, Israel has enjoyed rapid and unin-terrupted growth, due to factors such as the fall of the Soviet Union, the massive Russian immigration, and the peace process, coupled, during most of those years, with

sound fiscal policy.
"It's a pity that during the last two
years, there was some deviation
[from sound fiscal principles]," he

Former finance minister Avraham Shohat (Labor), who submitted one of the motions for the agenda, was one of the few speakers who refrained from criticizing Frenkel's move, though he often clashed with Frenkel over interest-rate rises in the past. In contrast, however, Meridor was attacked by some of his own colleagues.

The new finance minister is continuing in exactly the same path as the old government," charged Haim Dayan (Likud), saying that Meridor is concentrating on issues such as inflation and the balance of payments at the expense of the war on

# **BUSINESS BRIEFS**

Motorola gets China contract: Motorola's North Asia Cellular Infrastructure Division has been awarded a multi-million dellar contract to supply the first Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM) in the Guizhou Province of China. GSM is a digital callular condend that Guizhou Province of China. a digital cellular standard that allows operators to combine equipment from a variety of suppliers, and gives subscribers the ability to use cellular phones in many countries. To date, Motorola has been awarded cellular system contracts in China covering more than 220 cities and more than one billion people.

IBM, Point of Sale in joint venture: IBM and Point of Sale. a Herzliya-based retail software company, bave signed a \$2 million deal to install computerized cash register systems in all Hamashbir Lazarchan retail outlets. The cooperation with IBM represents the first joint venture between the two companies. Established in 1982, Point of Sale develops and supplies systems for retailers around the

Project to build chip-inspecting machine: Industries Development Corporation, a Kiriat Bialik-based developer of a multilayer ceramic capacitor inspection system, and Electro Scientific Industries, an Oregon-based maker of electronic products. have entered a 15-month, \$1 million program to define, develop and commercialize a stand-alone machine that can inspect the multilayer ceramic capacitors used in virtually all electronic goods. Jennifer Friedlin

Vishay seeks to buy Kemet Electronics: Vishay Intertechnology Inc. has announced it is seeking to buy Kemet Electronics Corp. for an undisclosed sum. Vishay, a Pennsylvania-based company with four plants in Israel and plans to build a fifth, is the largest US maker of passive electronic components. Kemet, based in Simonsville. South Carolina, makes capacitors used in computers, automotive electronics and communication systems. Last week Vishay announced plans to fire about 1,300 workers or 7% of its workforce.

Israel, Hungary to share export information: The Israel Foreign Trade Risks Insurance Company has signed an agreement with MEHIB, its Hungarian counterpart, to cooperate in information exchange, risk evaluation and examination of new export markets. As part of the pact, the companies will insure export transactions involving products manufactured in Israel and Hungary. In 1995, local trade and service exports totaled \$48 million, while Hungarian trade and service imports reached \$50m. Israeli corporate investment in Hungary totalled \$273m, at the end of 1995.

Shekel deposit offers 'contrary' interest: Israel Discount Bank is offering a new shekel deposit with a floating interest rate that changes in the opposite direction to the interest in the economy. As a result, savers will profit when the prime rate goes up and vice versa. For example, if the prime drops below its current rate of 18.5% to 16%, savers will earn 2.5% interest on their initial interest. The Inverse Floater plan is for a period of six months to a year. Galit Lipkis Beck

Over half of Russian immigrants employed: Of the 546,000 new immigrants aged 15 and over that arrived in Israel since 1990. 265,000 were employed in the first quarter of the year, according to the Central Bureau of Statistics. Those unemployed and actively seeking work totaled 10% between January and March. Of those who came in 1995, 13% are actively seeking employment, while 9% of the immigrants who arrived in 1990 and 1991 are currently unemployed.

Moroccan goods at 'Man and His World': Moroccan goods will for the first time be sold at the "Man and His World" fair which begins in Tel Aviv next week. The Maghreb state's stall will sell Judaica from North Africa, including Hanukkah candelabrum, decorative Torah jewelry and wineskins. A group of local businessmen brought the goods, having obtained Rabat's approval. David Harris

Haifa industrial exodus hurts support industries: A survey by the Israel Manufacturers Association suggests business support services in the Haifa region are suffering as industries continue moving out of the area. Of the 70 companies questioned, 28% had moved north from Haifa over the past seven years. Those remaining buy 93% of their supplies in the city, while firms on the periphery purchase only 39% there. The association says this data must be taken into account as Haifa develops.

Gordon Auction brings in \$1.22 million: The 39th Gordon Auction this week brought in a total of \$1.22 million, just a little short of a hoped-for \$1.35m. Top prices were \$104,000 for a Mordecai Ardon, and an amazing \$105,000 for a Nahum Gutman landscape — about double its lowest estimate, and an auction record for this artist. A Mokady landscape from 1924 did equally well at\$80,500. A Danziger bronze went for \$30,000, while a Zaritsky watercolor went well over its best estimate to reach \$31,000. Another auction record was set by a Lifschitz at \$34,000.

US May durables orders soar on strong aircraft demand: Strong demand for new commercial aircraft sent total orders for manufactured durable goods soaring in May, the US Commerce Department

reported Wednesday.

New orders for durable goods jumped 3.3 percent last month to a seasonally adjusted \$171.83 billion -much stronger than anticipated by Wall Street economists, who had forecast orders would rise 1.2

## source said. Food manufacturers expect problems in competing with imports

**GALIT LIPKIS BECK** 

LOCAL food sales are expected to grow 8.5 percent, to \$9 billion, but the sector is expected to experience difficulties because of growing competition from imports. Avraham Ben-Moshe, chairman of the Manufactures Association's food division, said

The association said it is worried that the sector's growing trade deficit, which amounts to about \$195m., will hinder the food industries' performance. The Association forecasts processed food exports to grow 7%, to \$655 million this year, while imports are expected to increase 12.5%, to

Ben-Moshe said the importexport imbalance is a bad sign, which should prompt local manufacturers to take action. He said the government's seven-year program to expose the economy to processed food imports from third-world countries is very harmful, explaining that the country is exposing itself to imports without receiving anything in return.

"I demand the process to expose the economy to imports will take into account levies imposed on the local sector," said Ben-Moshe.

The manufacturers emphasized the local food industry has recently started to attract investments from foreign companies who have joined up with local firms engaged in the field. About \$150m. was invested in such joint ventures during the past year. Recent agreements include Strauss's sale of 50% of its icecream division to Unilever, and Coca Cola establishing a joint company with Carlsberg.



after the funeral for two party activists in Rawalpindi. The activists were shot in clashes with police during their attempt to reach the Prime Minister's Secretariat in the Pakistani capital, Islamabad, where they had hoped to hold a sit-in protest against a nationwide price-hike and official corruption in the country.

Rockwell wants Israel's 'unique' engineers

#### Jordanian border open to trade **DAVID HARRIS**

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"We have already had many requests to use the route," said Customs and VAT Authority spokeswoman Idit Lev-Zerahia.

Demand will grow every day." Trucks of all sizes will have to pay a NIS 103 transfer fee at the Arava and Sheikh Hussein-Jordan River crossings. Imports and exports can be transferred between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. in the summer months and until 6 p.m. in winter.

The government said this is just the start of improved commercial ties between Jerusalem and Amman. The joint Foreign and Finance ministry document entitled "Development Options for Cooperation in the Middle East," calls for more cross-border bridges, facilities for transfer and warehousing of goods, and the creation of a integrated transport network including road rail and air.

its semiconductor systems division - the company's fastest-growing segment - by establishing a design crossing points throughout the Armando Geday, general manager of the division,

said Rockwell chose Israel because of the "unique capabilities" of its engineers, and plans to hire more than 30 over the next year. Zev Holtzman, chairman and CEO of Giza. the

Israeli affiliate of Alex Brown & Sons, said Rockwell's decision reflects the benefits Israel offers

ROCKWELL, the giant California-based high-tech to high-tech companies, especially at a time when they're feeling the pinch. conglomerate, yesterday announced plans to expand "The semiconductor industry is currently under

pressure in terms of lower share prices and [a drop] in orders," Holtzman said. "A lot of companies want to capitalize on the ability of Israeli engineers to improvise, handle research and design in a short time and yet be efficient and cost effective."

Rockwell also researches, manufactures and develons products for the automation, avionics, aerospace, defense electronics and automotive industries. It enjoys annual worldwide sales of \$13 billion.

## Romania to award telephone licenses in rural areas

(Reuter) Romania has moved towards liberalizing its telecommunications, under a new bill which opens up its rural areas to private telephone operators, an official said yester-

"A joint session of parliament's two chambers voted to allow [Romtelecom RA] telephone authority to liberalize services only in the rural areas," lower Chamber of Deputies press officer Ovidiu Marian said.

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The telecommunications bill, passed yesterday and due to be

promulgated next week by President Ion Iliescu, allows Romtelecom to hold tenders to award licences for rural areas to private operators.

Romania, a country of 23 million people, has only 2.6 million telephone subscribers. Getting a telephone line installed can take years. The Romanian

Communications Ministry said last week it would call a tender for two national GSM mobile telephone licenses. GSM is a stanard developed by the European Telecommunications Standards

Institute to unify European telephone systems.

Romania has an analogue technology mobile phone network covering eight cities, operated in partnership with Telefonica de Espana SA under a 10-year license. Many Central and Eastern European emerging countries usewireless communication to leapfrog old technology that would take time to update.

Virtually no rural area except for Bucharest's outskirts is connected to automatic telephone

#### UBS cautious on Israeli bank shares **GALIT LIPKIS BECK**

BANK Leumi's shares are more compelling than those of Bank Hapoalim, but investors should still be cautious about bank METEOSAT PRIMARY DATA USER STATION (PDUS) shares, the Union Bank of Switzerland (UBS), one of the

world's most prominent banks, said in a recent report. UBS analysis of Leumi is based on its first quarter financial statement, which includes a one-off provision of NI\$ 114m. to cover a voluntary retirement

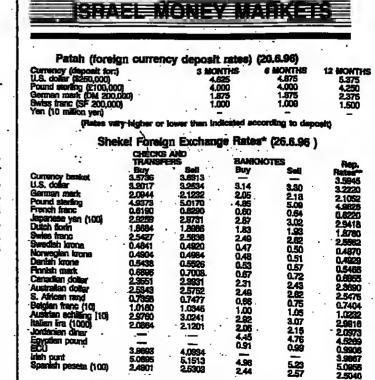
more than 200 employees. "Owing to the potentially leaner operating structure arising from the early retirement program, we have increased our earnings per share estimates to NIS 0.5 and NIS 0.55

plan which is expected to affect

for 1996 and 1997, respectively (versus previous estimates of NIS 0.3g and NIS 0.4). This rerates the Leumi shares significantly, such that the improved operating outlook is priced at a discount even to Bank Hapoalim. Naturally this changes our view on the shares from negative to positive," said

UBS said it remains cautious about the performance of bank shares in the short term because of the slowdown in economic growth and continued nervousness over the new government.

"As a result, we maintain our neutral stance of Bank Leumi and continue to rate the stock a



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ISRAELI stock indexes fell for a

The Maof Index of 25 issues fell 0.87% to 209.95, while the Mishtanim Index of 100 issues fell 1.00% to 198.49. Of 991 shares traded across the exchange, more than eight times as many fell as

Some 89.2 millioo shekels last week's average.

Deelioing Maof lodex-listed shares included Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., which fell 2.25% as investors again began to doobt whether the company's multiple sclerosis treatment Copaxooe will receive U.S. Food and Drug Administration approval. They had been expecting such approval by the eod of April and then, after an extension, by the end of June. The ageocy has not done so.

The Israeli currency strengtheoed after Mooday's announcement that the Bank of Israel will raise the rate at which it lends to banks by 1.5%, to 17%.

The rate increase prompted investors to buy shekels for deposit. The shekel traded at 3,2220 against the dollar, compared to 3.2310 Tuesday and 3.2660 last

Gad Hakar, head of the international department at Tel Aviv investment firm Batucha Securities & Investments Ltd.

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Maof index

third day as the shekel strengthened against the dollar, hurting exports companies' profits and presagiog a worseolog trade

(\$27.7 million) worth of shares changed hands, NIS 21.3 million above yesterday's level, aod about NIS 20 million more than

Teva's Americao Depositary Receipts fell 1/2 to 39 1/2 in early trading in New York.

"The dollar in crashing," said

A strengthening shekel damps exporters' profits, since they earn

in dollars but pay expenses in shekels, and "will make the trade deficit worse," Haker said.

Israel, with five million inhabitants, is expected to iocur ao \$11.5 billion trade deficit in 1996. The interest rate increase fol-

lowed the publication of Israel's May consumer price index, which rose a higher-tbao-expected 1.7% from April.

The key is cutting the budget deficit," said Haker,

Bank of Israel Governor Jacob Freokel and Finance Minister Dan Meridor have met in Jerusalem to several times in recent days to discuss ecocomic

"They understand the risk of inflation picking up and will do something," said Hekar. Nooetheless, share prices declined as "the market has been disappointed by too much talk and oot enoogh domg."

Other declioiog Maof lodexlisted shares included Koor Indostries Ltd., which fell 1.75. Koor's ADRs were down 1/8 to 17 1/8 in early trading in New York.

.Koor subsidiary Tadiran Ltd.

closed unchanged.
Other falliog shares oo the Maof lodex included Bezeq, which fell 0.5%.

Maof lodex-listed baoking shares were mixed. Bank Hapoalim elosed unchanged, while Bank Leumi Le-Israel fell 1% and First loternational Bank fell 0.5%.

Chemical shares oo the index fell, with Israel Chemicals Ltd. declining 0.5%; Makhteshim Chemical Works falling 1.25%, and Dead Sea Works falling 1.5%. Dead Sea Bromioe was

Gaining shares on the Maof Index included real estate and investment company Africa Israel, which rose 0.75%... (Bloomberg)

## Eurobourses close mixed WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

closed firmer against the yeo in Europe yesterday oo Japanese buying and after ocws of a biggerthan-expected rise in US durable goods orders.

But Europeao boorses eoded mixed, with Loodoo stronger, Frankfurt flat and Paris down after a lower opening for Dow industrials on Wall Street.

Traders said the dollar was booyed by demand from Japaoese investors searching for higher yields and by a bout of yeo weakness caused by oil price coocerns stemming from a bomb attack at a military complex in Saudi Arabia oo Toesday. Oildependent Japan is sensitive to

energy price fluctuations. The Saudi bombing pushed the oil price up around 20 cents a barrel overnight but it eased off highs in European trade.

Traders said the yeo was sold against the dollar, the mark, sterling and the Australian dollar. But the dollar was unable to progress above the psychologically

important 110 yen threshold.
"The market is well supported but the 110 level hangs over the market," said Brian Martin, chief ecocomist forex at BZW here. "The ranges are still tight but the dollar looks better against the yen than against the mark." Washingtoo said that stroog

LONDON (Reuter) - The dollar demand for oew commercial aircraft seot total orders for manufactured durable goods soariog 3.3 percent in May to a seasonally adjusted \$171.83 billioo - much stronger than anticipated by Wall Street economists, who had forecast orders would rise 1.2%.

Broadly speaking the forex scene was quiet ahead of today's meeting of the Group of Seveo (G7) leading industrial nations in Lyon, France, and a meeting of the rate-setting German Bundesbank council, also today.

Data released yesterday showing inflatioo io west Germany had slowed to its lowest level since August 1988 was not expected to provoke a long-awaited cut in Germany's maio mooey market repo rate, analysis said. Most questioned in a Reuter poll said they expected the Bundes-bank to wait for more details on growth in M3 money supply.

British blue-chip stocks, which on Tuesday fell to a three-month low as they chalked up their sixth straight loss, bounced back at the end of the session and ended 16 points up at their high for the

German stocks, which climbed to record highs oo Tuesday, closed bourse trading flat in thin activity, ooiospired by the the west German inflation figures.

## Dow falls sharply WALL STREET REPORT

NEW YORK (Reuter) - Blue- data, the Dow Jooes industrial chips stocks fell sharply yesterday as a sell-off in technology stocks intensified amid growing fears

about earnings for the second Based on early and unofficial

average ended 36.57 points lower at 5,682.70. In the broader market, declining issues led advances 14 to nine on moderate volume of 389 million shares on the New York Stock Exchange.

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# Germany, Czech Republic win on penalties

LONDON - A missed penalty by England's Gareth Southgate was the difference between England and Germany in last night's European Champion semifinal game at Wembley.

The teams played through 120 minutes ending in a l-1 draw before a nail-biling penalty shootout settled the matter in favor of the Germans, 6-5.

Germany now plays the Czech Republic in Sunday's final. The Czechs beat France 6-5 on penalties following a 0-0 scoreline after extra time.

Alan Shearer gave England a dream start against a weakened German team in their European championship semifinal when he opened the scoring after just three minutes. Shearer netted his fifth goal of

the tournament after defender Tony Adams flicked on a Paul Gascoigne corner, leaving the Blackhurn striker with the easy lask of heading the ball in from The comer was awarded after

Paul Ince had fired in a vicious volley from 30 meters which German goalkeeper Andreas Koepke fisted over the har. The England players showed no

sign of being overawed in a game widely hilled at home as the most important for the national side since England won the 1966 World Cup in the same stadium

by beating West Germany 4-2.
Germany, deprived through injury of top scorer Juergen Klinsmann and fellow striker Fredi Bobic, began with Stefan Kuntz alone up front supported by midfielder Mehmei Scholl.

The Germans refused to buckle and equalized in the 16th minute when Kuntz outstripped Stuart Pearce in the area to fire home a curling cross from defender Thomas Helmer.

It was the Germans' first chance of a match which looked like turning into one of the classics of the tournament. The winners meet the Czech Republic in Sunday's final.

England changed its defensive formation, welcoming back Paul Ince after suspension and playing just three defenders as opposed to the four who appeared in the quarter-final win against Spain.

The match was given added spice by the fact that four England players were survivors of the side

Indians beat Boston for the 14th

consecutive time Tuesday night.

getting seven scoreless innings

from Orel Hershiser to defeat the

completed the shutout to snap the

Indians' four-game losing streak.

Hershiser is 4-0 with a 0.66 ERA

Tom Gordon (5-4) matched him

through 51/s innings before Eddie

Murray and Manny Ramirez hit

consecutive homers. The Indians

added one in the seventh when

Red Sox 4-0.

in his last four starts.



NO QUARTER GIVEN - Germany's Dieter Eilts fights for the ball with England's Teddy Sheringham during their Euro 96 semi-

which lost a 1990 World Cup semifinal against West Germany on penalties. Just one of the German side also appeared in that game. The Germans continued to look curiously hesitant in the air and England almost scored again from another comer in the 31st minute when Stefan Reuter had to kick a shot from Teddy Sheringham off the goal-line.

Six minutes earlier Shearer had had another fine chance to consolidate his position as the tournament's top scorer but headed high over the bar after Darren Anderton, enjoying plenty of space on the right wing, fired in a superb cross.

England spent most of the opening 45 minutes in the Germans' half but defender Tony Adams had to make a crucial tackle on the halfway line in the 25th minute to prevent Andreas Moeller from breaking for goal. Hungarian referee Sandor Puhl.

wbo had kept his cards in his

pocket in the first half, began the second in much stricter mood. Within seconds of the restart he had booked defender Stefan Reuter for a relatively innocuous foul on Steve McManaman which

reach the final. Germany pushed more men for-ward and Moeller should have done much better in the 53rd minute when he ran balf the length of the pitch only to push his final pass straight to Adams

will rule him out if the Germans

rather than a team mate. Ince tried his hand at sharpshooting again in the 55th minute after benefiting from an untimely. But he put his 25-meter shot over the bar.

Helmer also shot over the top from much closer in the 59th minute after good work by Dieter Eilts on the left wing.

Helmer did superbly well to rob Gascoigne of the ball in the 70th minute after the midfielder bad burst into the area but the German paid the price for his brave tackle. leaving the pitch on a stretcher for lengthy treatment.

. Puhl then booked Gascoigne for a bad fonl on Kuntz before the Germans pulled off the anonymous Mehmet Scholl and sent on Thomas Haessler, who also played for Germany in the 1990 World Cup semifinal.

Moeller became the next German to collect a second yellow card when he was booked in the 79th minute for kicking out at Pearce after being fouled.

Neither side was sharp enough up front to break the deadlock and the game went into extra time. Czech Republic 0, France 0

(Czech Republic 6-5 on penalties) The Czech Republic cootinued its dream ruo lo the European Championship right into Sunday's final, beating France in a penalty shootout at Mancheter after keeping the favorites to a 0-0 draw.

The Czechs, rank outsiders ahead of Euro 96, were perfect in the 6-5 shootout and clioched the match when Petr Kouba stopped the penalty from Freoch substitute Reynald "I'm surprised and happy and

Indians beat Red Sox for the 14th straight time

proud," said Czech coach Dusan Uhrin. The Czechs, short of four suspended key players, were seemingly counting on the shootout and played conservatively all through the match to frustrate a French team that was at

least trying to score. "We didn't want to concede the first goal. That was our aim," said Uhrin. And the French lacked individual brilliance to force a breakthrough, even though Youri Djorkaeff came close with a shot on the bar in the

"We just exhausted all our ideas," said French coach Aime Jacquet. "We lacked some freshness." An unbeaten run of 27 games came to the end at the

worst moment, against an underdog and with the final beckgaing. "We didn't want to open the game," said sweeper Miroslav Kadlec, who took the decisive penalty. The team could not decide who to send up for the sixth penalty and veteran Kadlec took the fateful step forward. "I went because I didn't want the team to argue," he said, after taking his first penalty in half a decade. "It's a fan-

During extra time, when fatigue unraveled teamwork, individual efforts from Patrik Berger and Karet Poborsky came closest to scoring the first suddeo-death Golden Goal in a major tournament, but it would have been more than the team deserved at

that singe.

Djorkaeff appealed for a penalty in the 114th minute, when his shot appeared to strike the hand of defender Karel Rada.

The Czechs already provided two major upsets by kicking Italy and Portugal out of Euro 96. Now they bring back memories of four years ago, when underdog Denmark staged upset after opset to wio against all the odds in Sweden

In front of 43.877 fans, the two teams never let up on their defense and long provided a lethargic spectacle at Old Trafford, where huge patches of red, empty seats stood out for the

Djorkaeff broke the tiresome monotony after the hourmark, when the playmaker caught a pass from Vincent Guerin on the left, moved inside but saw his 17-meter drive

crash onto the bar. One minute later, Djorkaeff went airborne to volley a cross but the dar-ing effort from 12 meters just went

The flurry of chances forced Uhrin to bring in Martin Kotulek, an additional defender at the cost of the lone striker Radek Drulak.

The Czechs came into the match as underdogs and let it be known, mas-sively remeating in defense and leaving all initiative to the French. But, at the same time, they stayed poised for the counter. (Reuter, AP)

while striking out five.

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TUESDAY'S NL RESULTS:

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# Seles ousted in 2nd round

WIMBLEDON (AP) - Monica Seles's return to Wimbledon after a four-year absence was cut short yesterday's when she was beaten in the second round.

The second-seeded Seles was upset by Slovakia's Katarina

Studenikova, 7-5, 5-7, 6-4. Seles, back at Wimbledon for the first time since losing the 1992 final to Steffi Graf, made a slew of uncharacteristic unforced errors

off both wings. Seles displayed her usual resolve in fighting back to win the second set but couldn't overcome the steady play and big forehand of Studenikova, ranked 59th in the world.

It was the earliest defeat for Seles in any of her 18 Grand Slams.

Boris Becker avoided the rash of upsets, rallying from a set and a break down to beat Thomas Carbonell in four sets. The second-seeded German

struggled in the early going but reasserted his grass-court donti-nance to win 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2 on Centre Court and reach the third

The latest men's upset victim was No. 9 Thomas Enqvist, ousted in the second round by Mali Vai Washington.

The 20th-ranked American. playing some of his best grasscourt tennis, beat Engvist 6-4, 7-6 (7-5), 6-3 to reach the third round for the first time in seven appearances at Wimbledon.

Enqvist's elimination means only four of top 10 seeds remain. Wimbledon also lost two other women's seeds yesterday: No. 14 Amanda Coetzer of South Africa and No. 15 Irina Spirlea of

Meredith McGrath of the US ousted Coetzer 7-6 (7-4), 2-6, 6-3. Argentina's while Gorrochategui was a 6-3, 2-6, 6-4 winner over Spirlea.

Two US men joined Washington in the third round, both at the expense of fellow Americans. Todd Martin, the 13th seed,

beat Jim Grabb in straight sets, 6-2, 6-4, 7-6 (7-5). And Doug Flach, the 281st-ranked qualifier who stunned Agassi in the first round, continued bis run with a 2-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4 win over Jared Palmer.

Michael Stich, the 10th seed and 1991 champion, downed Sieng Schalken 6-3, 3-6, 5-8, 6-2 and 2 Wayne Ferreira, seeded No. 11. swept Andrea Gaudenzi 7-5, 7-5,

In other women's play, fourthseeded Arantxa Sanchez Vicario. advanced to the third round with a 7-5, 6-3 win over Miriam

Fifth-seeded Anke Huber routed Pam Shriver 6-2, 6-1 in 48 minutes on Centre Court.

Ninth-seeded Mary Joe Fernandez moved into the third round with a 6-4, 6-4 triumph over France's Sandrine Testud. Brenda Schultz-McCarthy, the 11th seed, won 6-3, 6-0 over Jolene Watanabe.

Rangers to victory.

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single. Jim Thome's solo shot in the eighth made it 4-0. Boston has lost all 11 meetings with the Indians this year, with the

Hershiser (8-4) struck out two final game between the two teams also swept the Red Sox in three games in the first round of last year's AL playoffs.

Twins 6, Yankees 1 (1st) Yankees 6, Twins 2 (2nd)
The visiting Yankees, held to one run in the previous two games, got three hits and three RBIs from Bernie Williams to salvage a doubleheader

BOSTON (AP) - The Cleveland Kenny Lofton singled, stole sec-Frank Rodriguez and three relievers ond and scored on Omar Vizquel's limited the Yankees to five hits in the Twins' victory in the opener.

Williams, who homered for New York's only run in the first game, went 3-for-5 with another homer in Game 2. His tun-scoring double gave the The second-game win ended a two-

Brady Anderson hit his 26th homer,

game losing streak for New York, which entered the series in Minnesota haviog swept four games at Rangers 5, Orioles 2 Ivan Rodriguez hit two homers, leading Kevin Gross and the host Orioles. But Baltimore lost for the ninth time in 12 games against Texas AMERICAN LEAGUE

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And the continuing beland by 304 runs in their one-day NarWest Arophy furthound match in Belfast yesterday.

Sussex's store, for the loss of fune wickets, was their highest ever in the compension.

In teply, heland managed just 80 all out from 33.3 overs.

Kyle McCaffen top scored for the home side with 17 while Paul larges and Ed Cridding hoof these wickets each for the visitors.

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Former New York Yankors relieves Sieve Howe, whose past legal
problems stemmed from his cocame addiction, was released on his
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Interleague play to start next times.
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Steinbrenner ready to leave Bronx

Markets owner George Steinbreads is giving signals that he
expects to move this professional passent from the Bronx to

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Steinbreams told The Mela Toristimes. The Bronx has not been

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that shap. The report says sought to move you got to get out." AP

ewis left off US relay learn.

Eight innes Olympic champion. Cark Lewis will compete in his last Capies in only the long jump unless US coaches change their like the mater relay suscitors his unmager said on Tuesday. The ball is in their sount. See Douglas said in a relephone internew after US Olympic men's head coach Ery Hunt picked Lewis as in alternate for their large lean of Dennis Mitchell. Michael Mash, ion Diminional and Leroy Burrell.

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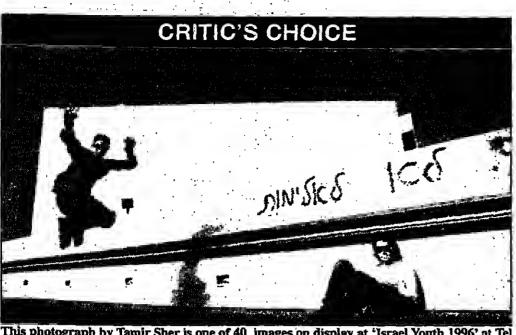
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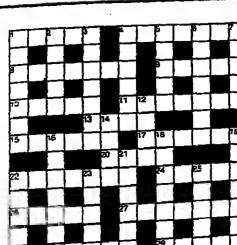
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Eran – Emotional First Aid. 1201, elso: Jenisalem 810303, Tel Aviv 5461111 (children/youth 696113), Hadie 887222/3, Beersheba 494333, Nebanya 625110, Karmiel 9888770, Klar Sava 7874555, Hadren 346789.

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19:35 Carol and Company 20:00 Taratata 21:10 Star Trek 22:00 News in English 22:25 Crystal Heart | 1987) - a sick young man develops a relation-ship with a rock singer. (102 mins.)

#### **MIDDLE EAST TV**

14:00 700 Club 14:55 The Tiger and the Flame – a beautiful heroine fights to defend her country's treedom (87 mins.) 16:05 Urban Peasants 18:30 Dennis the Menace 16:55 Mask 17:20 Happiness 17:45 Front Runners 18:40 A-Team 19:30 World News Toright (Arabic) 20:00 CNN 20:30 Evening Shade 20:55 Jake and the Fatman 21:45 Law and Order 22:35 The 700 Club 23:05 Lary King 00:00 TV Shop Club 23:05 Larry King 00:00 TV Shop 2:00 Quantum Shopping 3:00 TV

#### CABLE

#### ■ ITV 3 (33)

16:00 News 16:15 Ans magazine 17:16 On the Side of Justice 18:00 NBA 19:00 News in Arabic 19:30 Today – News in Russian 20:00 Mabat news 20:45 Telekessel 21:15 Kavanagh - courtroom series 22:45 International Crime - documentary series 23:15 Inside Stuff 00:00

#### **ETV 2 (23)**

15:30 The Lifth Summer - inter-generational friendship 16:00 Home Field 16:30 Smart 17:00 Great Inventors 17:30 Gustav Holst 18:00 Faces of Culture 18:30 A House for Six Voice 19:30 Female Perspective 20:00 A New Evening, with Russian Subtitles 20:30 Family Album 21:00 Zombit Business 21:30 The Cutting Edge 22:00 70 Faces 22:30 History in the

#### E FAMILY CHANNEL (3)

8:00 Falcon Crest (rpt) 9:00 One Life to Live (rpt) 9.45 The Young and the Restless (rpt) 10:30 Days of Our Lives (pt) 11:20 Perla Negra (rpt) 12:10 Neighbors (rpt) 12:35 Dallas (rpt) 13:30 Starting at 1:30 14:05 21 Jump Street 14:55 Falcon Crest 15:50 Days of Our Lives 16:40 Neighbors 17:10 Dallas 18:00 One Life to Live 18:45 The Young and tha Restless 19:30 Local broadcast 20:00 Peria Negra 20:50 New York News 21:40 North (1994) - A gifted child seeks a divorce from his parents. With Elijah Wood and Bruce Willis, Directed by Rob Reiner (87 mins.) 23:15 Mad About You 23:45 Melrose Place 00:35 Babylon 5 1:20 Hunter 2:10 Return to Eden 3:05 Robin's Club 3:50 Paris -

#### MOVIE CHANNEL (4)

10:30 The Water Engine (1992) - with Joe Mantegna and Patti Lupone (rpt) 12:00 Prehistoric Women (1967) - a lost civilization (rpt) 13:30 What's New at the Movies 13:35 The Wonder Years 14:00 The "In" Crowd (1988) teen stars of TV dance shows (rpt) 15:35 Una Partie de Campagne (1938, French) (rpt) 16:20 Casablanca Express (1999) (rpt) 17:55 Switching Parents (1992) – a child of divorce goes to court to be adopted (88 mins.) 19:30 Lethal Exposure (1992) -Ally Sheedy. (86 mins.) 21:00 Reging Buil (1980) - Masterpiece collabora-tion of Martin Scorsese and Robert De Niro, in the story of Jake LaMotta, who rose from nothing to become mid-dieweight champion of the world. With Joe Pesci and Cathy Moriarty (125

mins.) 23.10 Blind Man's Buff - a sightless ex-professor becomes a murder suspect (83 mins.) 00:35 Creepozoids (1987) – sci-fi thriller [68 Creepozoids (1987) – sci-li thriller [63 mins.) 1:50 American Heart (1993) – an ex-convict and his son (rpt) 3:45 Little Fauss and Big Halsey (1970) – Two bikers, one goodnatured and the other egocentric, set off together Io ride at over America. With Robert Redford and Michael J. Poltard.

Directed by Sidney J. Furie (94 mins.) 5:30 The Other Side of Love (1991) -

Cheryl Ladd is wrongly imprisoned

#### ECHILDREN (6)

6:30 Cartoons 8:05 Draculito Mon Seigneur (rpt) 8:30 Blinky Bill (rpt) 9:05 Alice in Wonderland (rpt) 9:35 Nils Holgerson (rpt) 10:05 Weird Love (rpt) Holgerson (pt) 10:05 Weird Love (pt) 10:35 California Dreams (pt) 11:05 Saved by the Bell (pt) 11:30 Beakman's World (rpt) 12:00 Hard Times on Planet Earth (rpt) 12:45 Alvin and the Chipmunks 13:00 Surprise Garden 13:35 Professor Iris 14:00 Robinson Sucroe 14:35 Alice in Wonderland 15:05 Nils Holgerson 15:35 Step by Step 16:05 Sweet Valley High 16:25 Saved By the Bell 17:05 Little University – Who Knows Six? 17:30 The Flying Classroom's Farewell Party (rpt) 18:15 Alvin and the Chipmunks 18:35 Draculito Mon Seigneur (rpt) 19:00 Blinky Bill (rpt) 19:30 Three's Company 20:00 Married with Children 20:25 Roseame 20:50 The Ren and Stimpy Show 21:05 Big The Ren and Stimpy Show 21:05 Big Brother Jake 21:15 Drop the Dead

#### E SECOND SHOWING (6)

22:00 Scenes from a Marriage – part 6 22:50 | Confess (1953) – A priest hears the conlession of a murderer, but refus-es to break tha seal of the confession. With Montgomery Cifft, Anne Baxter and Karl Malden. Directed by Affred Hitchcook (90 mins), 20:25 The Sanle Hitchcock (90 mins.) 00:25 The Eagle (1925) - A Russian nobleman becomes an outlaw to avenge his tather's death. With Rudolph Valentino. Directed by Clarence Brown (79 mins.)

#### EDISCOVERY (8)

6:00 Open University 12:00 A Whale's Tale (rpt) 13:00 Future Cuest (rpt) 13:30 Ancient Warriors (rpt) 14:00 Open University 16:00 A Whale's Tale (rpt) 17:00 Future Cuest (rpt) 17:30 Ancient Warriors (rpt) 18:00 Open University 20:00 One in A Million 20:30 The Wild South 21:00 Telescope 21:30 Dec Playtes et Des Hormmes 22:00 Des Plantes et Des Homme Bortz, Bergman and TB 23:00 The Bacchae 1:10 Open University

#### SUPER CHANNEL

6:00 The Selina Scott Show 7:00 NBC News with Tom Brokaw 7:30 ITN World News with John Brotesw 7:30 TIN World News 8:00 Today 10:00 Supershop 11:00 European Money Wheel 16:00 Wall Street - liva 17:00 US Money Wheel 18:30 FT Business Tonight 19:00 TIN News 19:30 Adventures 20:30 The Selina Scott Show 21:30 Dateline 22:30 ITN News 23:00 Baseball 00:00 Tonight Show with Jay Leng 1:00 Lata Night with Conan O'Brien 2:00 Later with Greg Kinnear

#### STAR PLUS

6:00 Aerobics 6:30 Nanny and the Professor 7:00 Mr. Belvedere 7:30 Cooking Secrets of the CIA 8:00 El TV 8:30 Gabrielle 9:30 Santa Barbara 10:30 Tha Bold and the Beautiful 11:00 Steele 13:00 Cooking Secrets of the CIA 13:30 El TV 14:00 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 14:30 The Black Stallion 15:00 Lost in Space 16:00 Home and Away 16:30 Entertainment Tonight 17:00 M\*A\*S\*H 17:30 21 Jump Street 18:30 The X-Files 19:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 20:00 Santa

Barbara 21:00 Hard Copy 21:30 Beverly Hills 90210 22:30 The Fall Guy 23:30 Entertainment Tonight 00:00 Oprah Wintrey 1:00 Hard Copy 1:30 Home and Away 2:00 The Sullivans

#### E CHANNEL 6

8:30 Bodies in motion 7:30 Basic Training 15:00 NBA Basketball: 1996 draft 17:30 Championships — European Cup magazine 18:15 The Extreme Olympics 20:00 European Cup Soccer 21:00 NBA Basketball: 1996 draft (rpt) 22:30 European Cup Soccer 23:30 The Extreme Olympics

#### **■** EUROSPORT

9:30 Motor Sports Magazine 11:00 sr:30 Motor Sports Magazine 11:00
Soccer: European Cup — semi-finals
(rpt) 13:00 Formula 1 Magazine 13:30
Motorcycles Magazine 14:00 Truck
Racing 14:30 Recreational Sports
Magazine 15:00 Mountain Bikes:
World Cup, US 16:00 Soccer:
European Cup — semi-finals (rpt) 18:00
Olympia Magazine 18:20 Soccer: Olympic Magazine 18:30 Soccer: European Cup – semi-finals (rpl) 20:30 Soccer: European Cup - round-up
22:00 Tractor Pulling 23:00 Soccer:
European Cup - semi-finals (rpt) 00:30
Formula 1 Magazine 1:00 ATP Tennis
1:30 Sailing Magazine 2:00
Recreational Sports Magazine

#### E PRIME SPORTS

6:00 Asia Sports Show 6:30 Gillette World Sport 7:00 Tennis: Wimbledon (rpt) 13:00 International Motor Sports Magazina 14:00 Squash 15:00 Gott: Omega Tournament 16:00 Tannis: Wimbledon – live 22:00 Chinese League Soccer 22:30 Cricket 1:30 Gillette World Sport

#### **■ BBC WORLD**

ws on the hour 6:05 The Tourist (rpt) 10:05 Under the Sun (rpt) 11:30 Auction - documentary on Sotheby's (rpt) 12:30 Top Gear 15:05 Horizon (rpt) 16:15 World Business Report Time Out: More Rhodes Around Britain (rpt) 18:05 The Tourist (rpt) 19:30 One Foot in the Past 22:05 Correspondent (rpt) 23:30 Tomorrow's World 00:00 World News and Business Report

#### RADIO

#### **■ VOICE OF MUSIC**

6:06 Morning Concert 9:05 Schumann: Quintet in E flat for piano and strings op 44 (Bernstein, Juilliard Qt); Chopin: concerto (Lipatit/Tonhalle/Ackerman); Mozart; excerpts Irom The Magic Flute (soloists/Vienna Opera choir and orch/Levine); Tchaikovsky: Symphony no 7 (Philadelphia/Ormandy) 12:00 Noon with Gideon Hod - familiar music and guiz 14:06 Encore - Isaac Stern and Daniel Barenbolm 15:00 Voice of Music magazine 16:00 Anonymous: 2 medieval hymns, Conductus and Kyrie; Tallis: Spern in alium arr for string quartet; Josquin Des Pres; Ave Maria Stella mass; Beethoven; Piano sonata no 17 op 31/2 (Richard Good); Kurl Weill: String quartet (Brandeis Ct) 18:00 New CDs — Telemann: Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus; Mozart Trio in E tlat for clarinet, viola and piano K480; Max Brod: 3 songs to poems by Heine: Komgold: Sursum corde, symphonic overture 20:05 From the Recording Studio - Arnos Boazson, viola - Bach: Chromatic Fantasy; Yosef Tal: Suite for viola solo; Tamar Muskat: Dirge; Menahem Tzur, Preludes for viola solo; Paganini: Caprice no 5; Khachaturian; Sonata for viola solo 21:00 Clouds, Celebrations and Sirens 23:00 From the Record Shelf

#### CINEMA

JERUSALEM

CINEMATHEQUE Home for the Holidays 5, 9:30 \* The Tempest 7 \* Richard III 9:30 \* Seven 12 midnight G.G. GfL Jerusalem Mall (Matha) = 788448 Grumpler MeneWhite Squall-American Quilt 4:45. 7:15, 9:45 \* Secret of Roan Inish 4:45, 7:15 \* Executive Decision 9:45 \* Fargo 4:45, 7:15, 9:45 \* The Birdcage 4:45, 7:15, 9:45 \* Strange Days 4:30, 7:15, 10 \* Primal Fear 4:30, 7:15, 10 ISRAEL MUSE-UM II Postino 9 JERUSALEM THEATER 20 Marcus St. #817187 Neby et M. Arnaud 7, 9:30 \* Before the Rain 7, 9:30 RAV CHEN 1-7# 792799 Credit Card Reservations 794477 Rav-Mecher Building, 19 Ha'oman St., Talpiot Now and Thenetight 6#Devil in a Blue DresseThe Juror 5, 7:30, 9:45 \* Toy Story (English dialogue) 7:30 \* City Hall 9:45 \* Bed of Roses 5, 7:30, 9:45 \* The Hunchback of Notice Dame (English dialogue) 5, 7:30, 9:45

\* Toy Story (Hebrew dialogue) 5

CINEMATHEQUE 2 Sprinzak St. = 5772000 Heavenly Creatures 5, 7:45, 9:45 \* As You Like It 7 \* Nixon 9 \* Clerks 12 midnight DIZENGOFF # 5172923 White Squall#Leaving Las Veges 11 a.m., 1, 3, 5, 7:45, 10 \* The Monster 1, 5, 10 DRIVE IN Executive Decision 10 \* Sex Film 12 midnight GAN HA'IR = 5279215 71 Ibn Gabirol St. Priscilla 2:30, 9:45 \* Oead Man Walking 5, 7:30 GAT Last Dance 5, 7:30, 9-45 GORDON Eat, Drink, Man, Woman 5:30, 7:45, 10 G.G. HOD 1-4 = 5226226 Hod Passage. 101 Dizengofi St. The Birdcage\*American Culit\*Grumpler Men 5, 7:30, 10 \* Pargo 5, 7:30, 10 LEV 1-4 = 5288288 Shanghai Triad 12:15, 2:30, 5:15, 7:45, 10 \* Antonia's Line 12 noon, 2, 4:45, 7:30, 9:45 \* Le Hussard sur la Toit 12 noon \* Secret of Roan Enish 12:15. 2:15, 5:15, 7:45, 10 \* Strange Days 2, 4:30, 7:15, 10 G.G. PE'ER American CuliteGrumpler Men#Fargo 5, 7:30, 10 Strange Days 4:30, 7:16 \* The Birdcage 5, 7:30, 10 RAN-CHEN= 5282288 Dizengoli Center The Hunchback of Notre Dame (English dialogue) 7:30, 9:45 \* The Juror 5. 7:30, 9:45 + Now and Then 5, 7:30, 9:45 \* City Hall 11:30 a.m., 2:30, 5, 7:30, 9:45 \* Bed of Roses 11:30 a.m., 2:30, 5, 7:30, 9:45 \* Toy Story (English dialogue) 11:30 a.m., 2:30, 7:30, 9:45 \* The Hunchback of Notre Dame (Hebrew dalogue) 230, 5 \* Toy Story (Hebrew dalogue) 5 RAV-OR 1-5 \*\* 5102674 Opera House Mighty Aphrodite-\*Star Man#il Postino &Girl 57 Devil in a Blue Dress 5, 7:30, 9:45 G.G. TAYELET 1-3 = 5177952 2 Yong Hengyi St. Sense and Sensibility Executive Decision 7:15, 10 \* Twelve Monkeys 7:30. 10 G.G. TEL AVIV = 5281181 55 Pinsker St. Twelve Monkeys 5, 7:30, 10 \* Primal Fe

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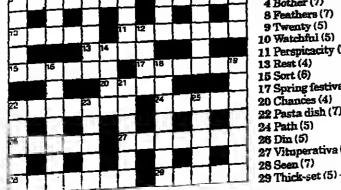
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# **Ben-Yair: Indictments** have no political motive

ATTORNEY-GENERAL Michael Ben-Yair indignantly denied yesterday that a recent wave of indictments and investigations against right-wing politicians is politically motivated, and charged that those making these accusations are out to destroy the independence of the State Anomey's Office.
In the past three weeks. Ben-

Yair has decided to indict Jerusalem Mayor Ehud Olmeri (Likud) for tax fraud allegedly committed during the 1988 elections, nixed the appointment of Tsomet leader Rafael Eitan to certain ministries because of a police investigation of him which is now drawing to a close, and decided to open a preliminary investigation of Justice Minister Ya'acov Ne'eman for an event the State Anomey's Office has known about for the past four

Many Likud figures have charged that these decisions were politically motivated, especially

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two then-ministers from Labor -Binaymin Ben-Eliezer and Yisrael Kessar - earlier this year. These charges have also been raised by newspaper columnists.

"This is very worrying." Ben-Yair said at a rare press conference yesierday. The result of these publications is likely to be the undermining of the public's faith in the motives of the prosecution ... [These publications] have a purpose, and their purpose is to influence the prosecution's judgments, in order to underntine the independence of the prosecution," he added.

In deciding whether to bring charges or close a case, the prosecution weighs only two factors. Ben-Yair said: Whether there is enough evidence for an indictment, and whether there is a public interest in the case.

To prove this, he presented a list of the cases against public figures which he has considered, includ-

ing indictments that were filed against left-wing politicians such as Labor MKs Yossi Vanunu and Avi Yehezkel - and cases that were closed against right-wing figures, including MK Avner Shaki (NRP) and Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu.

For public figures, he added. decisions are reviewed by several levels of the State Attorney's Office, culminating with the attorney-general himself.

The only proper place for criticism of the prosecution's decisions, Ben-Yair said, is the courts - not the political arena or the

Ben-Yair noted that the decision to indict Olmeri was made only recently because the prosecution was waiting for a district court verdict on others accused of the same crimes, and this verdict was given only three months ago. Regarding Eitan, he said, the police finished its investigation and sent the file to his office only

# Journalist accuses Netanyahu, Ne'eman, Ben-Yair of lying

JUSTICE Minister Ya'acov Prime Minister Ne'eman. Netanyahu, and Binvamin Attorney-General Michael Ben-Yair are all lying to the High Court of Justice, Globes journalist Yc., Yitzhak charged in an affidavit to the court vesterday.

Lası week, Yitzhak had filed a petition to the High Court against Ne'eman's appointment, charging that he was unfit for the job because of several crimes which Yitzhak alleged that he committed - though Ne'eman has never even been criminally investigated. much less indicted or convicted.

The court disnussed most of Yitzhak's charges at a hearing last week, but deferred its decision on the pection to give the police time to look into one affair which sur-faced only last Sunday - a charge by a witness in the trial of MK Aryeh Deri (Shas) that Ne'eman had tried to pressure him not to testify. Both Ne'eman and the witness now deny that such an event ever occurred.

Yestenlay, Yitzhak submitted a supplementary affidavit charging that Ne'eman, Netanyahu, and **EVELYN GORDON** 

Ben-Yair did not given truthful information to the court at last week's hearing.

Nejanyahu and Ben-Yair lied to the court, he wrote, when they said a legal opinion by Ben. Yair which said Netanyahu should deter Ne eman's appointment until the after initial court hearing last week - did not reach Netanyahu in time to prevent the appointment. Ben-Yair had sent his opinion to Netanyahu at the Knesset by fax at 3:15 p.m., shortly before the Knesset session opened, and in the confusion, both nien said, it apparently never

reached the prime minister. However, Yitzhak charged, the two men had met earlier in the day. at around noon, to discuss the petition and its implications. At that meering, Yitzhak claimed, Ben-Yair told Netanyahu in person that he should delay Ne'eman's appointment, but neither party revealed this to the court.

"A half truth is like a lie," he wrote. Therefore, he charged, both parties were lying when they

told the court that the appointment was made due to ignorance of Ben Yair's opposition, rather than in direct defiance of it.

Regarding Ne'eman, Yitzhak said he lied in his response to one of the charges Yitzhak had leveled in his original petition - that Ne'eman committed fraud and extortion while serving as a courtappointed receiver for the Kochav Hashomron company.

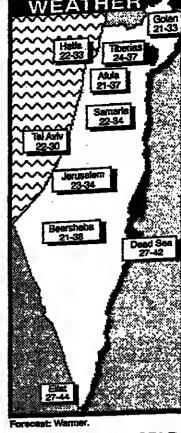
In his response, Ne'eman noted that Yitzhak had previously petitioned the court to deniand that a criminal investigation be opened against him on this affair, However, Ne'eman's affidavit continued, the court threw out the perition, which shows that there was no substance to Yitzhak's charges.

Yitzhak said that this statement was a lie. The petition was not thrown out, he said; he withdrew it of his own free will after the State Attorney's Office promised to look into the matter.

After looking into it, however, the State Attorney's Office concluded that there was no basis for opening a criminal investigation.



Deputy Housing Minister Meir Porush (United Torah Judaism), who will run the ministry which is formally held by Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu, accepts the congratulations of his predecessor, Binyamin Ben-Eliezer, at yesterday's changeover ceremony.



AROUND THE WORLD



Winning cards

In vesterday's Mifal Hapayis daily Chance card draw, the lucky cards were the nine of spades, jack of hearts, jack of diamonds, and seven of clubs.

# Knesset declares war on road deaths

THE Transportation Ministry and the Public Works Department agreed yesterday to spend NIS 10 million to make immediate improvements on the Jordan Valley road and to install traffic lights at the junction outside Sderot, at which five people were killed in an accident

Transportation Minister Yitzhak Levy said he would also ask Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu to immediately implement a deci-

sion made by the government last year to add 425 officers to the Traffic Police. Earlier in the day, the Knesset debated the issue of road accidents, with Levy calling on the public to "declare war - a war for life on

Levy asked the public to remember that cars are potential weapons, adding "a criminal driver should be seen as just that."

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MK Ophir Pines (Labor) suggested establishing a special Knesset committee for road

"In the past two days, 12 people have been killed in road accidents. Deaths on the road have become the curse of the country. The public rightly feels that the authorities don't

have a solution to the problem," Pines said. This House has exhausted many words on the subject of road murder," said Knesset Speaker Dan Tichon. "I say 'murder' because there is no other definition for what's happening. What else can we say? What else can be written? What else can be broadcast? Yet the headlines continue to scream and young lives continue to be cut short. It's unthinkable, that

this phenomenon should be something taken for granted.

Every one of us - MKs and ministers - can play our part, by legislation or enforcement or construction or budgeting. One can't accept headlines about a 17-year-old killed four days after receiving his license. This is not the society we want to live in. All the talk of peace, a healthy economy and quality of life aren't worth anything with headlines like this."

MK Ran Cohen (Meretz) noted that in the previous Knesset He and Health Minister Tzahi Hanegbi-(Likud) submitted a law on road safety supported by 91 MKs, which passed first reading. He said the law contains means of enforcement, education and supervision, and asked that the Knesset continue to promote it. The Knesset is scheduled to hold another discussion on the subject Monday.

# Agency resolution calls for 'preserving Jewish unity'

DECLARING victory, the Jewish Agency Assembly yesterday unanimously passed a compromise resolution calling for the preservation of the unity of the Jewish people. This was accomplished by deleting all references to "pluralism" and "status quo."

The original resolution, submitted by a coalition of American fund-raising organizations, including UJA, would have committed the agency to preserving the "principle of pluralism." The vote was delayed while the Reform movement and Mizrahi-Religious Zionists tried to work out compromise language.

The agency concluded its annual assembly without any specific statement or resolution on activiries in the former Soviet Union, which are the bulk of its work. Of some 20 resolutions, only one dealt with the CIS, and it simply authorized the agency's board to take whatever steps are necessary to continue agency activities in

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After a debate on "Jewish unity" that lasted nearly two hours, Chairman Avrahant Burg sought a unanimous vote. He told the delegates, "I don't want at this delicate moment for there to be a conflict with the new government and with the Jewish communities abroad." The resolution urges the govern-

ment not to change the Law of Return or use legislation to redefine "the current situation" - what advocates called the status quo. The vote has no practical effect,

although its most fervent proponents hoped it would express to the new government the Diaspora's hope there be no retreat

from the religious status quo.
Sources said that the absence of details on Russia indicated that the agency wants to keep a low profile and not take any public action that would complicate the process of its reaccreditation in

The agency, in effect, delayed a

rejection of its request for new accreditation in Russia last week by pulling back its request to deal with what Moscow called "technicalities.

Alla Levy, the head of operanons in the former Soviet Union, said last week that she had been advised by Moscow that the agency would not get its accreditation. "We couldn't afford having a negative answer," Levy told a gathering of UJA fundraisers.

However, she indicated that Moscow authorities, speaking only days after the inconclusive Russian election, also wanted to prevent a "negative" situation.

The Justice Ministry "suggested" that the agency take its documents back, because there were some "technicalities" that had to be changed, Levy said. "We succeeded in [getting] the delay," she said. "It's not over, but I didn't come back optimistic."

It was not clear when the agency would resubmit its request for

NEWS IN BRIEF

Ne'eman wants Arad as director-

Deputy State Attorney Nili Arad is Justice Minister Ya'acov Ne'eman's choice to replace Haim Klugman as director-general of the ministry, Ne'eman announced yesterday. The appointment must be approved by the cabinet.

Arad, who was named deputy state attorney only recently, previously served for eight years as head of the ministry's High Court division. Klugman is retiring after 33 years of working for the ministry. Evelyn Gordon

Galilee gets two transmitters

The Second Channel Authority and Bezeg yesterday inaugurated two new transmission statioos in the North for broadcasting Channel 2. Located at Migdal Tefen and Manara; the transmitters will provide clear broadcasts to the Upper, Western, and Central Galilee and the

The authority is now planning to built two new transmission stations in the Jerusalem area, three in the Haifa area, and an additional one at Mitzpe Turan in the Galilee.

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State appeals military case

The state yesterday lodged an appeal with the Supreme Court against a district court ruling saying that failing to return to Israel for military duty is not a crime.

The case involved a man who received a permit from the army to go abroad for two months before being drafted, but instead stayed abroad for two years. He was indicted for bis failure to return and convicted by Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court, but the Tel Aviv District Court overturned the decision, saying there is no such crime on the books. In its appeal, the state argued that since draftees are required by law to get a permit from the army before leaving the country, someonewho violates the terms of his permit also violates Evelyn Gordon

No visitors for Amir

Convicted assassin Yigal Amir was banned from having visitors for two months, after guards found him trying to cover up the closed circuit television camera in his cell. The incident occurred some six weeks ago at Beersheba's Ohalei Kedar Prison, where Amir is being kept in Raine Marcus solitary confinement.

## Yisrael Ba'aliya presents demands to chief rabbis

THE Yisrael Ba'aliya Knesset faction yesterday presented the chief rabbis with a list of demands intended to improve the level of religious services offered to new immigrants from the former Soviet Union.

In a meeting with the two chief rabbis in Jerusalem, the party's ministers and MKs asked that representatives of the rabbinic courts be stationed in the CIS states; that Russian-speaking aides be appointed in the offices of local rabbis and religious councils, and that a national network of courses in Jewish studies be established.

Chief rabbis Yisrael Lau and Eliahu Bakshi-Doron did not promise the Yisrael Ba'aliya representatives anything, bot agreed that a committee should be set up to examine the requests in depth.

The two did, however, agree to reiterate the prevailing instructions regarding the burial of non-Jews and those whose status is

On Monday, the Chief Rabbinical Council will hold a session with the heads of the large burial societies, and will stress that such bodies should be buried in an honorable fashion in sections set aside for them, and not outside

the cemetery gates. Lau stressed, however, that this meeting will only reiterate the prevailing directives. The few problematic cases that have reached the media - such as that of the toddler killed in a Sderot road accident last week and soldier Lev Pisahov, who was killed by terrorists three years ago - are the exceptions that prove that in most cases, these burials are handled with sensitivity.

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#### Agreement reached on highway work

THE Trans-Israel Highway Corporation and the Israel Union for Environmental Defense reached an agreement yesterday to stop some of the work being done at the Kassem junction. Evelyn Gordon

# Suissa: Jerusalem Arabs not utilizing their building rights

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THE Arab population in Jerusaleni has not utilized the rights to build thousands of housing units in the city and surrounding villages, mainly because of objections to constructing multi-story buildings. Interior Minister Eli Suissa told the Knesset yes-

Suissa was making his first speech, in

answer to five motions to the agenda on the Har Homa project in south

Jerusalem.

the building rights given it, the prob-

lem will not be solved. Anyone who

decides to live a rural lifestyle in

"As long as this sector doesn't

Jerusalem will not be able to enjoy the change it's attitude to land and utilize

benefits of the city in everything related to planning and construction and vice versa," Suissa said. He described the claims by opposition

MKs that the project was at the expense

of the Arab population as "a challeoge to Jerusalem's unity and status, since most of the land expropriated to build Har Homa was expropriated from Jews and

Walid Sadek (Meretz) said the Har Homa project was an attempt to create demo-graphic and geographic facts on the ground

and Beit Sahur. Aznıi Basbara (Hadasb) said the gov-

emment "is acting a though Jerusalem is about to be divided tomorrow and is rushing to build in haste." PEACEMAKERS. PEACEMAKING?

before the final talks on Jerusalem, and said

Har Homa was intended to cut east

Jerusalem off from Bethlehem, Beit Jalla,

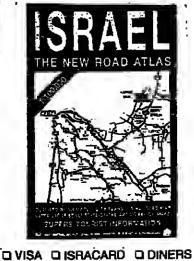
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